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Vladimir Is Emphatic

Grand Duke Discusses Strike and Does Not Mince Matters.

Emphatically Approves of Work Done by the Military on Fatal Sunday.

Bangs His Fist on His Desk and Denies the Rumors of Insubordination.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—A correspondent of the American in St. Petersburg cables, under date of January 29: His imperial highness, the Grand Duke Vladimir, the uncle of the Czar and the military dictator of St. Petersburg, and speaking as the personal representative of the Emperor, received the correspondent at the Winter palace this evening at 5 o'clock. The Grand Duke was exceedingly cordial and received him in his private library. It is decorated with priceless bronzes and pictures and is situated on the ground floor of the palace looking out on the snowy D'Vortsevai square, the scene of last Sunday's sanguinary conflict. The Grand Duke is a handsome, soldierly man, florid of face and high of forehead. His manner is courteously cordial, but he spoke with great vehemence in discussing the recent crisis. He speaks English and French fluently, but preferred the correspondent to converse with him in Russian. He said: "In no city in the world can city revolutions be permitted by the authorities. The foreign newspapers state that I am responsible for last Sunday's events. I am not responsible; I acted only as commander of the St. Petersburg troops.

"The shooting by the troops was not planned by anybody; it was done under the ordinary laws of the empire, after the police had failed in the efforts to stop the procession."

With extraordinary emphasis he added: "The military did their duty, and they'll do it again if necessary.

"It is a mistake to assert, as the foreign press does, that the mob had no warning. The regulation warning the mob by three bugle blasts is, in Russia, equivalent to a reading of the Riot Act in America.

"The people of Russia are absolutely unfit for a constitution and there will be none given! The Emperor is resolute on that point.

"The Emperor has been grieved by the recent bloodshed, but he recognizes and admits the necessity thereof and has expressed his determination to resist all revolutionary demands.

"He is determined to grant all proper reforms, but they will come by his own will."

In order to solve the mystery of Father Gopon's whereabouts, I asked the Grand Duke if it was true that Gopon had been arrested or was in a hospital. The Grand Duke answered that he believed Father Gopon had fled abroad, making his escape through Finland. The Grand Duke described Gopon as a "fanatic and eloquent, but lacking capacity."

I asked the Grand Duke if it were true that some of his troops had refused to obey the order to fire on the people on Sunday. His imperial highness banged his fist on the desk and almost shouted, "That is a lie."

I diplomatically asked the Grand Duke if it were true that Sunday's events had practically made him dictator. He replied: "I exercise no political influence. I act only as commander of the troops. The civil power still exists and will be strengthened."

I asked the Grand Duke for his views on any further revolutionary movement, but he declined to express any opinion, but commented approvingly on the fact that the strikers were fired on when rioting. "This is not the proper time for reforms," said the Grand Duke, "and they will not be granted until all disorders have subsided." Adding with emphasis, "The revolt will be quelled by military power, and I approve of that measure." The Grand Duke scoffed at the reports that the Emperor had left Tsarkoe-Selo.

"He has been there all the week. He was there last Sunday and will remain there. Everybody knows that His Majesty is never in St. Petersburg this month." The Grand Duke laughingly showed me a bundle of abusive letters he had received from England. I warned him that I had been informed that St. Petersburg workmen had determined to take his life. The Grand Duke said: "They won't succeed. I am too careful." Concluding, the Grand Duke expressed his pride and fullest reliance in the army, saying: "The soldiers will do their duty."

FILIPINOS DEMAND RANSOM.

Manila, Jan. 30.—The Ladrones who captured the wife and two children of former Governor Trias in the attack on San Francisco De Malabon on the night of Jan. 24, now demand a ransom of 20,000 pesos for their return.

Saint Alice
Natural
Mineral
Water

Russian Advance Again Proves a Failure.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 30.—The Russian advance movement against the Japanese left has failed and Gen. Grippenberg has notified the Emperor that he has discontinued the offensive. Gen. Mistchenko and Gen. Kondratsvich, while not seriously injured, have been obliged to relinquish their commands. The war office gives no estimate of the Russian losses, but they are believed to be heavy.

Lieut.-Gen. Grippenberg, commander of the second army, has telegraphed to Emperor Nicholas that the Russians have occupied Santatits. He also reports that Generals Mistchenko and Kondratsvich are wounded.

TO SAVE MAXIM GORKY.

Rome, Jan. 30.—A number of deputies signed a memorial in the chamber of deputies today asking the government to use its offices with the Russian government to save the life of Maxim Gorky and his companions.

STRIKERS' SYMPATHIZERS.

New York, Jan. 30.—After a big meeting of sympathizers with Russian revolutionaries in the Academy of Music last night, says the world, 1500 men and women marched to the Russian consul general's office on Broad street, singing the Marseillaise and shouting revolutionary utterances.

RUSSIA REASSERTS CHARGES.

Berlin, Jan. 30.—The Russian government's reply to China's declarations that she has not infringed neutrality nor permitted Japan to do so is a reassertion that she has done so. The Russian note, which was communicated to the powers Saturday, gives specifications of what is affirmed to be violations of neutrality, but the tone of the reply is such that it is inferred that Russia is not likely to carry the discussion much farther. It is learned here that Russia found that all the powers, particularly Germany, hold views identical with those of the United States on limiting the scene of war and keeping China out of it.

160 STRIKERS KILLED AND WOUNDED

WARSAW, Jan. 30.—The number killed and wounded during the rioting here is estimated at 160. Out-of-door life in the city is at a complete standstill. All the restaurants, cafes and shops are closed.

The strikers have been quieter since yesterday evening, but the strike continues in full swing. All places of business are closed. A proclamation has been issued declaring that the condition of the city requires protective measures, without differentiating between those who are forced out against their will and those who are precipitating the strike. The men, it is added, must return to work unconditionally.

BANK SWINDLERS SENTENCED.

Mexico City, Jan. 30.—The men who swindled the Central Bank out of $464,000 have been sentenced. Manuel Batiz was sentenced to prison for fifteen years and eight months, Assistant Cashier Coboz for eleven years and Angle Batiz for three years and eight months. Manuel Batiz was expected to pay the bank $239,000. Coboz paid $168,000 and Angle Batiz $56,000.

Child Emigration From England

Lord Mayor Presides Over a Meeting to Discuss the Scheme.

Mr. Bryce Says Canadians Take No Interest in Fiscal Question.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, Jan. 30.—At the lord mayor's meeting in connection with the proposed scheme for child emigration, at which many spoke, Dr. Barnardo said Canada was unsuitable for children under five. He had tried the experiment and found the death rate 200 in 1900. He thought the farms, under Mrs. Close's scheme, would soon be known as workhouse farms all over the country. He put an amendment to the original resolution, that the local government board be requested to consider Mrs. Close's scheme, to the effect that the scheme would be very costly and impracticable. The resolution was declared carried by a large majority, though doubts were expressed whether a count of hands would have justified this.

The Strand believes emigration will prove the remedy for the unemployed and is sending to Canada a writer named H. Whats with five pounds as a man seeking employment in a new home without means of livlihood. He will write his experiences.

Mr. Bryce, speaking at Lewes, said the protectionists were under a complete delusion about Canadian sentiment. He had recently been to Canada and found some scant interest there. Mr. Chamberlain's scheme was scarcely even mentioned. At the November elections opinion was divided by the certainty that the Canadian manufacturers feared British competition too much to let the tariff be lowered.

Mr. Chaplin, addressing a tariff report demonstration at Cambridge, said the colonies were the only place Great Britain could look to to replace the foreign markets now lost. In spite of Lord Rosebery's denial, the colonies had made an offer and Canada had already given a preference, and also had given us warning that in certain events she might repeal the present preference and possibly make an arrangement with the United States, who were doing their utmost to get Canada to make an arrangement with them. Mr. Chaplin received considerable interruption during the course of his speech by cries of "What about sugar?" and the like.

So great is the demand for passages to Canada during April that the steamship Lake Manitoba will make an extra trip from Liverpool on April 11.

Mr. Robson, M. P., speaking at Rochester, said Imperial danger was the worst feature of Mr. Chamberlain's policy. Mr. Chamberlain totally ignored the fact that a colonial preference already had been tried. It brought bitter animosities into evidence, causing an anti-colonial party in England and an anti-English party in the colonies, which threatened to break up the Empire.

Mr. Dillon, speaking at Thurles, Ireland, said he would vote against the opening of British ports to Canadian cattle, but feared it would come about since Mr. Chamberlain and the Unionist party had declared in its favor and it had the support of the Radicals also.

Japanese Turn Tables

Kuropatkin's Latest Attempt on Oyama's Flank Proves Failure.

Sudden Drop in Thermometer Blamed for the Russian Reverse.

News of Defeat Proves a Hard Blow to Unhappy St. Petersburg.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 30.—(11:50 p. m.)—General Kuropatkin, in his attempt to break through the Japanese left wing and outflank Field Marshal Oyama's position on the Shakhe river, seems to have failed. Field Marshal Oyama appears to have arrested the Russian advance with a counter offensive movement, but no great disposition was shown to carry the war into the territory held by the Russians.

At the war office the chief blame for the failure of the movement is laid to a sudden drop of the thermometer to 20 degrees below zero with a high wind, which drifted the snow and rendered it hazardous to expose the troops to camping in the open plain, and also impeded transportation. The operation entrusted to the second army, under General Grippenberg, was the capture of Sandepas, which, once in Russian hands, would serve as a pivot for a flanking movement against Field Marshal Oyama, but Sandepas proved too hard a nut to crack, and the Japanese, taking advantage of the check of the Russians, hurried up then reinforcements and assumed the offensive on the Hun river, as well as along the railroad and the great Mandarin road. The Russians, however, appear to have been successful in repulsing all the Japanese attacks. Under the circumstances, General Grippenberg did not press the attempt to storm Sandepas.

Owing to the flat trajectory and the enormous penetration of modern projectiles, the capture of the outer line of trenches on Saturday entailed heavy casualties, some thousands on both sides being killed or wounded. The news of this defeat is especially hard for the government. The popular idea continues to be that the advance was undertaken to divert attention from the events in European Russia.

Russian Headquarters, Huan Mountain, Jan. 29.—(Delayed.)—The object of General Kuropatkin's offensive movement was to capture the important position at Sandepas, on the left bank of the Hun river, due west of the Schli river, and thereby outflank the Japanese from the Shakhe river and enable the Russian army to undertake a general advance. At Sandepas the Japanese occupied a strongly fortified position commanding the triangle formed by the confluence of the Hun river and Shakhe river. The Japanese had erected their forts of a permanent type with earthworks and trenches extending in a southwesterly direction. Several villages to the northeast were also strongly fortified.

The positions there were held by twelve battalions of Japanese, partly drawn from General Nogi's army and partly reserves. The Russians carried the first line of entrenchments but were unable to maintain their position on the outskirts of Sandepas in the face of the fierce cannonading. The fighting was transferred westward. The Japanese counter attacked with a brigade of infantry, endeavoring to envelop the Russians, but the cavalry protecting the Russian flank drove back the Japanese with heavy loss. A counter attack on the villages captured by the Russians at the outset of the fight was also beaten off, but at the cost to the Russians of several thousand killed or wounded, including General Mistcheno, who was wounded in the knee. The heaviest sufferers were the newly arrived brigades of riflemen.

The official report of the casualties in the fighting at Hounlitadzy and Hugodi between January 25 and January 26 says there were 45 officers and 1,500 men.

A hundred Japanese prisoners have arrived here. They belonged to a division from Port Arthur. The wounded are suffering from the cold, which is increasing.

For Representative Government.

London, Jan. 31.—The Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent says that the text of a bold address voted by the provincial assembly of Kharkoff has been sent to Emperor Nicholas demanding representative government. The signatories include marshals of the nobility, noblemen and members of the Zemstvo who were elected during the incumbency of the ministry of the interior by M. Von Plehve. The address declares that long years of bureaucratic oppression and violence, disfranchisement of the people and violation of the freedom of person, thought and conscience have created a condition of things that no longer is endurable, and which threatens a storm already audible and fraught with bloody civil war to the country and the subversion of your throne.

A WINNIPEG FIRE.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 30.—Boultbee's implement and general manufacturing business at Broadview, N. W. T., were destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon. Only the books and safe were saved. Morrison's bank and Ashe's real estate office were gutted. Boultbee is at present in England.

JAPAN REPLIES TO RUSSIA.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The Japanese government has presented a note to the United States government regarding the communication recently made by Russia to the powers on the neutrality of China. "Repelling the accusations of Russia that call in question the good faith and loyalty of Japan to her engagements."

PRINCE EITEL'S CONDITION.

Potsdam, Jan. 30.—Prince Eitel Friederich slept well and perspired freely during the night, according to a bulletin issued at 9:15 a. m. His temperature is 98 and pulse 76. The inflammation of the right lung has not extended and the inflammation of the pleura has diminished. Pains in the left side have been more severe since yesterday, but the prince's general condition is satisfactory.

The Dawn of Brighter Days

All Signs Point to Enhanced Prosperity on Vancouver Island.

C.P.R. Manifestations of Confidence in Great Future of Victoria.

Natural Movement of Fishery and Mining Industry Play Important Part.

THAT the Pacific Coast is about to enter upon an era of unprecedented development seems to be the general opinion of those eligible to read the commercial and industrial horoscope—and that Victoria will be one of the focal points of such extensive development. And indeed many very tangible texts can be found for the gospel of optimism which is being preached.

The heavy hotel investment being made by so astute a company as that controlling the Canadian Pacific Railway offers something more than a chimerical cause for the growth of confidence. The outlay of hundreds of thousands of dollars is an argument which pessimism cannot gainsay.

Then there is the assurance of the Grand Trunk Pacific construction, with its beneficial results either direct or reactionary in which Victoria will share. And there are those numerous manifestations here and there on the surface of things which show that capital is beginning to turn toward Vancouver Island as a place which looms large on the commercial horizon.

In the trade of the city locally, despite the depression which Vancouver and Seattle have felt, there is every reason for encouragement. The consensus of opinion among bankers interviewed by the Colonist yesterday is that business was never better at this season, as gauged by their transactions, than at the present time. The management of the Bank of British Columbia and the Bank of Montreal agreed in saying that collections were very good, and compared favorably with any similar season in past years, and a similar view was expressed by other representative bankers of the city.

The natural transition of the salmon fishing industry to the Island coasts and Esquimalt harbor, now taking place, may be looked upon as but the beginning of a movement which will extend to the fishing industry in all its ramifications. This view is not a frivolous one, but is held by many experts who recognize the disadvantages of Mainland ports for sailing vessels, by means of which, as the fishing industry develops, it must be largely carried on.

Then, almost at its doors, Victoria has a mining industry, which while practically in its infancy, can boast of some of the richest copper mines in the world, and which is ever on the ascendant in the industrial scale.

A few years ago the city of Sydney, N. S., was but a village containing three or four thousand people. Today it is the scene of a great industry and a population growing toward the twenty thousand mark.

The same conditions which occasioned the development at Sydney are duplicated at Victoria, in the proximity of illimitable resources of iron and coal, and there is every reason to believe that the time of development is not remote.

It has been commonly known for some time past that rival interests were seeking to acquire the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway, looking to the great possibilities of the country it traverses, and the desirability of its continuation to the northern end of the island, providing an appreciable shortening of time and distance in journeying to and from the new north. It is said that these negotiations, conducted by the Canadian Pacific Railway, have advanced appreciably within the past few days, and that—although there is as yet no change in the status of the ownership of the Island road—it would not be subject of surprise were the Island railway to pass to the C. P. R. within a comparatively short period of time and the long-mooted project for extension be given tangibility.

The railway experts have inspected the roadbed, and reports have also been made concerning the business technicalities of the proposed purchase, these features of the prospective deal are already accomplished.

Those living along the line of the E. & N. Railway particularly in the Cowichan valley, and the fertile belt which lies in that vicinity, have frequently predicted that the time of great agricultural development in those districts was not far removed, and while the lands within the railway belt are not affected by the transaction, greater attention will no doubt be drawn to their productiveness and settlement be stimulated thereby.

This country is well adapted not only for agricultural and grazing purposes, but for fruit growing as well, in fact the products of the orchard promise to become one of its chiefest sources of wealth. Although no commercial shipments of fruit have yet been made, an abundance of proof has already been forthcoming of the fitness of the climate and soil for horticultural purposes. Apples and other fruits are very successfully grown, and Mr. R. M. Palmer in a recent address before the Flockmasters' Association at Duncans, pointed out the commercial possibilities of the Cowichan orchards, in a very emphatic way.

As an indication of what this district is capable of in this regard, the suggestion was recently made that a prominent fruit grower of the Okanagan country had recently visited it with a view of selecting a site for an orchard.

In connection with the sale of the

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GOES FROM BAD TO WORSE

(By Associated Press.)

WHILE there seems to have been a complete restoration of order in St. Petersburg and Moscow, conditions at Warsaw continue to go from bad to worse. Estimates of the killed and wounded in consequence of collisions between mobs and soldiers place the number at 160. The bakers being on strike, bread is at famine prices in Warsaw, and attempts to break into stores there have caused numerous clashes with the military. The finding of revolvers of uniform make on many of the rioters arrested, affords confirmation of recent reports that revolutionary agitators have been smuggling arms in anticipation of an outbreak. It is asserted that the official tale of the dead through the recent conflict of the strikers and the troops at Riga is far short of actual facts, many having perished, it is stated, in the attempt to cross the river on the ice when the soldiers opened fire, the ice breaking and the water engulfing the fugitives.

BURGLARS MAKE A HAUL.

Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 30.—Burglars entered the house of Mrs. Johanna B. Lumpkin in Washington avenue last night and stole bonds, money and jewelry to the amount of $12,000. There is no trace of the thieves.

Still Halting Between Opinions

Ottawa Government Has Not Yet Decided to Close Salmon Years.

Royal City Secures Grant for Dominion Exhibition — The Collectorship.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—British Columbia matters occupied the attention of the house this afternoon. Mr. Sproule was informed by Hon. R. Prefontaine that representations had been made to the government seeking a suspension of salmon canning operations in British Columbia during the years 1906 and 1908. Representations came from the Fraser River Canners' Association and bank managers and prominent business men of Vancouver which said that there was no truth in the statement published in the papers that the canners on Puget Sound had instigated the movement. The Fraser river canners, being alarmed at the rapid decrease in the catch of sockeye salmon during the last four years had stated in a petition to the government that the industry would be ruined unless the suspension referred to was carried out immediately. A conference of Puget Sound and Fraser river canners was held in December, which resulted in a memorial being forwarded urging immediate action by the Canadian house conditional upon similar action by the state of Washington. Protests had been received also against the closing down of the industry from the Victoria and Westminster boards of trade and from a number of other people. The government had arrived at no decision upon the subject.

Mr. Sproule was also informed that recommendation had been made to the cabinet in favor of the appointment of Mr. J. C. Newbury to the position of collector of customs at Victoria and the appointment will probably be made this week.

The appeals of the British Columbia members to the government to make the Dominion exhibition grant to New Westminster and to assist Mr. Kennedy in carrying out his pre-election promises, has been successful. A grant of fifty thousand will therefore go to British Columbia this year.

Ralph Smith introduced the union label bill today.

John Hendry, Vancouver; R. K. Jardine, Westminster, and R. E. Beattie, Cranbrook, were here as an advance guard of the British Columbia delegation.

The first division of the session took place tonight, when on a vote of 85 to 25, Lancaster's bill to afford better protection to the public at railway crossings was referred to the railway committee, the graveyard of so many ambitious legislative attempts.

REDUCTION IN WAGES.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 30.—A 12½ per cent. reduction in wages went into effect at the Connecticut cotton mills today and there was no resistance on the part of the operatives. The Connecticut mill employs 275 hands. It did not announce a reduction in wages until the recent strike was settled.

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A feature of this sale will be the opening of our Wall Paper Department. We will be able to save you at least 50 per cent. on all your wall papers. Papers that have been selling for 50c. a roll we are able to sell at 10c. a roll; 75c. qualities, for 25c. and 40c.; bedroom papers from 1c. a roll. Papers that we will offer for sale at 1c., 3c., 5c. and 8c. a roll have actually been sold at 25c a roll. The success of this Department is assured.

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- 24 75—from 32 50
- 27 50—from 35 00

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One-quarter Cut Oak—
- $45 00—from $57 00
- 52 00—from 65 00
- 73 00—from 87 50

Dressers and Stands

Imitation Walnut—
- $ 8 40—from $12 50

Mahogany—
- $ 8 40—from $12 50
- 11 75—from 15 00
- 13 75—from 17 50
- 16 75—from 22 50

Elm—
- $12 75—from 16 50

Surfaced Oak—
- $16 75—from 22 50

White Enamelled—
- $14 50—from 25 00

One-quarter Cut Oak—
- $25 00—from 32 50
- 32 50—from 45 00
- 36 00—from 48 00
- 48 75—from 65 00

Ladies' Dressing Tables

- $ 6 75—from $10 00
- 19 75—from 26 50
- 24 50—from 32 50
- 27 50—from 45 00
- 22 50—from 28 50

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- 34 50—from 47 50
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- $29 75—from $45 00
- 29 75—from 42 50
- 32 50—from 47 50
- 45 00—from 65 00

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- $ 7 50—from $13 50
- 9 50—from 15 00
- 14 00—from 20 00
- 16 75—from 25 00

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Single Size Brass Mounts—
- $2 90—from ..... $ 3 75
- 4 50—from 6 50
- 5 75—from 8 75

Three-quarter Size—
- $2 90—from 3 75
- 3 75—from 5 50
- 5 75—from 7 50
- 6 75—from 8 75

Full Size Brass Mounts—
- $2 50—from 3 65
- 2 90—from 3 75
- 3 75—from 5 50
- 4 75—from 6 90

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- $8 50—from $12 50
- 9 75—from 15 00

45 Beds, only one of a kind, one-third less than usual value. Prices, $9.75 to $28.50—value, $13.50 to $39.75.

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$ 5 75—from	$ 9 75	9½ x 13
7 75—from	12 50	11 x 19
8 90—from	13 50	11 x 19
11 75—from	15 00	11 x 20
13 50—from	17 50	11 x 24
17 50—from	22 50	Oval mirror
19 00—from	25 00	Shaped mirror
24 50—from	30 00	Shaped mirror
28 75—from	35 00	Shaped mirror

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Strong Kitchen Chairs, double rounds . . .. 35c., 55c., 85c.

Dining Room Chairs 90c., $1.10, $1.25, $1.35, $1.90

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- $2.90—from $3 50
- 3 65—from 4 50
- 4 50—from 5 50
- 6 75—from 8 75

Upholstered Rockers

- $4 75—from 7 50
- 5 75—from 9 50

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Hollow Seat, Roman Stripe Covering . Price $6 75

Upholstered Chairs, spring seats and diamond back—
- $ 9 75—from $12 50
- 11 75—from 13 50
- 13 50—from 17 50
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Two extra specials in Morris Chairs—8 only. Morris Chairs, heavy oak frame, velvet covering—
- $16 75—from $22 50

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- $18 75—from $24 50

Quarter Oak Frame, upholstered in Leather—
- $19 75—from $26 50
- 24 50—from 32 50
- 26 50—from 34 00
- 41 00—from 50 00

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Lounges, with back, various coverings—
- Value, $7 50—for $5 75
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Lounges with good quality of tapestry covering at $9.75, value $12.50, several shades. Others in tufted velour, Mocquette and fancy velvets—
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- 16 50—from 22 50
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- 9 50—from 13 50
- 11 75—from 16 50
- 14 50—from 18 75
- 22 50—from 35 00
- 29 00—from 38 75

Also numerous frames in oak and mahogany for upholstering—from $7 50 to $95 00

Hall Chairs

Polished Oak—
- $ 3 90—from ..... $ 5 75
- 5 75—from 6 75
- 7 75—from 12 75
- 9 75—from 13 50
- 10 75—from 14 50
- 12 50—from 17 50
- 13 75—from 18 75

Weathered Oak—$6.75, $7.50, $9.50, $11.75, $13.75, $15 and $17.50—one-fourth less than regular price.

Weathered Oak Chairs and Settees, upholstered in leather — We have just placed into stock a car of this class of furniture, all marked at our close prices for February.

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$1.75, $2.25, $3.25, $4.65, $6.75, $8.75 and $9.75—one-fourth less.

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Grass Chairs—
- $4 50—from $6 00
- 5 75—from 8 75

Chiffonieres

Fir—
- Three drawers—Special $6 25
- Four drawers—Special 6 75

Elm—
- Four large and two small drawers $11 75
- Four large and two small drawers and mirror 12x19, $13.75—from $16 50

Oak (six drawers)—
- $17 50—from $22 00
- 26 75—from 32 50
- 28 50—from 35 00
- 32 50—from 38 50
- 45 00—from 55 00

Mahogany—
- $28 00—from $35 00
- 36 00—from 45 00
- 42 50—from 53 00
- 45 00—from 55 00
- 62 50—from 75 00
- 67 50—from 85 00

Sideboards and Extension Tables

Sideboards—
- $ 9 75—from $14 50
- 15 75—from 20 00
- 19 75—from 25 00
- 22 50—from 28 75
- 32 50 (three designs)—from 42 00
- 58 00—from 65 00

Buffets—
- $32 50—from $37 50
- 35 00—from 42 50

Dinner Wagons in Quarter Cut Oak

- $ 9 50—from $13 50
- 12 25—from 16 50
- 13 50—from 17 50
- 16 75—from 20 00
- 18 50—from 25 00
- 19 50—from 27 50

Extension Tables

- $ 5 75—from ..... $ 7 50
- 6 75—from 10 00
- 11 75—from 14 50
- 14 50—from 17 50

Solid Oak Tables—
- $12 50—from $16 50
- 18 50—from 24 50
- 22 50—from 29 75
- 26 75—from 34 50

HANGING MIRRORS

Hanging Mirrors—35c, 65c, $1.25, $1.75 and $2.75.

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45c Per Yard
For Tapestry Carpets — sold usually for 65c

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$1.25 Per Yard
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TAPESTRY

Size—	Value.	Price.
9x10.6	$ 8 75	$ 5 75
9x10.6	13 50	9 75
9x10.6	15 00	11 75
9x12	11 75	8 75
9x12	16 50	12 90
10.6x12	12 50	8 90
12x12	13 75	9 75
12x12	24 50	19 50
10.6x13.6	12 50	9 50
12x13.6	15 00	11 75

VELVET

Size—	Value.	Price.
9x10.6	$19 50	$14 75
9x10.6	23 75	18 75
9x10.6	27 50	19 75
10.6x12	30 00	24 75
9x12	27 50	22 50
9x12	$32 50	$24 50
9x12	38 50	31 00

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Our special grade of 50c Linoleums will be sold at the sale at ..... 37½c a yard

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Inlaid Linoleums, 85c, $1 and $1.25; value $1, $1.25 and $1.50.

Linen Warp Japanese Matting

Our regular 25c quality, for .... 18 3-4c yard

Roll of 40 yards $7 50

WOOL SQUARES

Size—	Value.	Price.
9x9	$ 9 75	$ 6 75
9x9	12 50	8 75
9x10.6	$12 75	$ 9 75
9x10.6	15 00	12 50
9x10.6	10 00	7 50
9x10.6	22 50	17 50
9x12	14 50	11 75
9x12	15 00	12 50
9x12	18 50	14 50
12x12	22 50	16 75

BRUSSELS SQUARES

Size—	Value.	Price.
9x9	$14 75	$11 75
9x9	13 50	10 00
9x9	17 50	14 75
9x10.6	17 50	13 50
9x10.6	18 50	14 75
9x10.6	20 00	16 50
9x10.6	21 75	17 50
9x12	21 50	16 75
9x12	24 75	19 75
9x12	27 50	22 50

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An immense stock of Curtains at a saving.

Besides our new lines of spring curtains we place on sale about 500 pair of Swiss, Nottingham, Battenburg and Brussels Net Curtains at greatly reduced prices.

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- 15 00 curtains for 7 50
- 16 00 curtains for 8 00
- 20 00 curtains for 10 00
- 35 00 curtains for 17 50
- 50 00 curtains for 25 00

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- 2 50 for Brussels curtains—value ... 3 75
- 2 90 for Brussels curtains—value ... 4 50
- 3 50 for Brussels curtains—value ... 5 00

Swiss Curtains

- $5 50 for curtains—value ..... $ 7 50
- 3 75 for curtains—value 5 00
- 6 75 for curtains—value 10 00
- 5 75 for curtains—value 9 50
- 9 75 for curtains—value 15 75

Embroidered Muslin urtains

The old styles are coming into favor again. Prices ..... $1 75 to $6 75

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at our usual low sale prices—
25c to $5.90 a pair.

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Wednesday's Strong Inducements

Ladies' Dress Skirts

Ladies' stylish black cloth Skirts, stitched and piped at bottom, well cut and finished, regular value $4.50 each. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$2.50**

Ladies' smart black cloth Skirts, made in extra fine Ladies' cloth, and cut with flounce, regular values up to $13.50 each. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$5.00**

Ladies' black sateen Underskirts, with deep flounce and ruffles, worth up to $4.25. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$1.75**

All Jackets Must Go

Ladies' tight fitting, short Jackets, made in extra fine box cloth, kersey, freize, Astrachan, etc., in sizes 32, 34, 36, regular up to $10.00 each, and a few at $15.00 and $20.00 for early shoppers. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$1.95**

Ladies' handsome Jackets, all this season's styles, in all colors, worth up to $11.00 each. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$3.95**

Smart up-to-date Jackets, all bought for this season's selling, about twenty-five in this lot, regular values up to $15.00 each. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$4.95**

Ladies' Raincoats, Worth Up to $11.00. To Clear $1.00

Children's Dresses

3450—Girls' or Boys' Dress. Sizes 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 years.

Children's flannel Jackets, in cream and navy, regular value $1.90 and $2.75. Wednesday's price to clear **50c**

Children's white muslin Dresses, lace trimmed, regular value $1.35 to $2.00 each; ages 2 and 3 yrs. Wednesday's price to clear **75c**

Boys' brown Frieze and box cloth Overcoats with velvet collar; sizes 22, 23, 24 to 26, reg. values up to $8.50 each. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$1.95**

Ladies' Underwear

Ladies' all wool ribbed Underwear, natural finish, regular value 75c and 90c each. Wednesday's price to clear..... **50c**

Extra fine all wool Underwear, in natural, cardinal and pure white, vests and drawers, reg. value $1 and $1.25 ea. Wednesday's price to clear **75c**

Ladies' pure silk Undervests, ribbed and finished with knitted lace, low neck, no sleeves also a line of superior all wool underwear, reg. value $1.50. Wednesda's price to clear.....**95c**

Wadded Comforters, Large Size, Regular Value $1.40. To Clear 75c

Blankets and Quilts

All wool white Blankets 6lb weight, size 60 by 80 inches, extra quality, regular value $3.25 a pair. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$2.50**

Extra superior wool blankets, with colored borders, very fine wool sizes 64 by 82 inches, weight 7lbs, regular value $3.95 a pair. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$2.95**

Real Eiderdown Quilts covered with good art sateen, full size, regular value $4.50 each. Wednesday's price to clear **$3.50**

Wadded comforters, made in one whole piece and guaranteed absolutely pure, regular value $1.75 each. Wednesday's price to clear..... **$1.00**

Furs at Half Price and Less

Regular $10.00 Fur Stole. Wednesday to clear..... **$4.95**

Regular $14.50 Fur Stole. Wednesday to clear..... **$7.50**

Regular $26.00 Fur Stole. Wednesday to clear..... **$13.75**

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DRESS GOODS

Some 20 pieces of our best selling lines in Fancy Tweeds, Homespuns, Basket Cloths, Striped Tweeds, and Cheviots. Worth up to 90c a yard.—WEDNESDAY'S PRICE TO CLEAR..... **25c**

Children's White Pique Coats, Worth Up to $3.50. To Clear $1.00

Wrappers and Blouses

Ladies' turkish Bath Robes, Flannelette Wrappers, and sateen and muslin blouse costumes, lace trimmed, Regular values $2.75 to $8.50 each. Wednesdays price to clear **$1.75**

White muslin flannelette, albatross and fancy basket cloth Shirt Waists, reg. val. up to $5.00 each. Wednesday's price to clear **$1.25**

A Millinery Snap

Ladies' ready-to-wear and untrimmed Hats, worth up to $5.00 each. Wednesday's, price to clear... **95c**

Children's Tams, in Linen, Serge and Cloth, worth up to 60c each Wednesday's to clear..... **10c**

Real Ostrich Feather Plumes, Regular values up to $1.25 each Wed price to clear..... **25c**

Flannelette Underwear

Ladies' and Children's flannelette Drawers in white and pink, regular value 50c a pair. Wednesday's price to clear..... **35c**

Ladies' silk embroidered flannelette Skirts and Drawers, pink and white, regular value 85c and 90c Wednesday's price to clear.....**50c**

Ladies' extra fine flannelette Night Gowns, tucked yokes, silk embroidery trimmed, in pink and white, regular value $2.25 each. Wednesday's price to clear **$1.50**

Children's flannelette Night Gowns, trimmed with silk embroidery, pink and white, regular value $1.00 ea. Wednesday's price to clear... **65c**

Silk and Satin Ribbons, Worth Up to 30c yard. To Clear 7 1-2c

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Investigate North Sea Outrage

Two Swedish Mariners Relate Attacks on Their Ship Aldebaran.

British Fisherman Thought he Saw Torpedo Boat Among Trawlers.

Paris, Jan. 30.—The international commission inquiring into the North Sea incident at its session today heard two Swedish witnesses, Captain Johnson and Mate Stromberg, of the cargo boat Aldebaran. They both testified that a few hours preceding the firing on the British trawlers by the Russian squadron their boat was attacked in the North Sea by a strange warship, which fired many shots at the Aldebaran, but did not do her serious damage. The stranger then disappeared. Consul for Russia protested that this testimony was not directly connected with the North Sea incident, but Admiral Fourier (France), president of the commission ruled that the testimony was admissible.

Hugh Oberin, British agent, said the strange vessel was the Russian transport Kamtchatka, which mistook the Swedish craft for a torpedo boat. Mr. Oberin further declared that the Kamtchatka sent a wireless message to Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, notifying him that she had been attacked by a torpedo boat, and Rojestvensy thereupon ordered his squadron to be on the lookout for torpedo boats, which, Mr. Oberin asserted, caused the North Sea incident.

The fishermen concluded their testimony during the afternoon. The last witness, a man named Costello, said that during the cannonade he saw a black boat which he thought was a torpedo boat. Later at Hull, after examining the charts, he concluded that the object he had seen was a trawler without lights.

Vice Admiral Doubazeff (Russian) made the point that the subsequent conclusion was a supposed one, whereas his belief at the time he saw the object was that it was a torpedo boat.

Admiral Fournier cross-examined the witness concerning why he did not see the trawlers nearby, but saw a black object at a considerable distance. Costello maintained that he did not see other boats but saw the unknown object.

The witness was then confronted by several other fishermen. This developed much contradiction, Costello maintaining that he saw the black object. The Russian commissioners will begin their testimony tomorrow.

Engulfed by River.

Berlin, Jan. 30.—The Vossiche Zeitung's Riga letter says the official report of the number of fatalities in the riots there is far below the actual number. When the soldiers fired on the crowd, many sought to escape across the river on the ice, which broke, engulfing them. A great snowstorm was prevailing at the time and the temperature sank at night, causing the river to freeze over again, and no bodies have been discovered.

Outrage On A British Consul

Great Britain's Representative at Warsaw Attacked by Soldiers.

Continued Acts of Hostilities Against Englishmen Causes Anxiety.

London, Jan. 30.—Reports of continued acts of hostility to Great Britain and citizens of this country in Russia are causing considerable perplexity and anxiety in official circles here. At the foreign office there is evident apprehension of another popular anti-Russian outbreak here, and while diplomats say there is no doubt that full satisfaction will be given for the outrage on the British consul at Warsaw, the newspapers are unanimously condemning Russia and attribute all incidents to anti-British sentiment. At the foreign office today it was intimated that these accumulative evidences of hostility, whether accidental or intentional, are causing much apprehension, and that it will be necessary for the Russian government to give full and prompt explanation, or otherwise popular sentiment in the United Kingdom might create a serious situation. It was pointed out that while the injured pro-consul at Warsaw, Mucukain, is an interpreter and native clerk in the consulate, that fact made a difference, and it would be necessary to prove the affair was not the result of the publication of the objectionable notices, concerning which Ambassador Hardinge already has protested officially.

The following communication was issued by the foreign office tonight: "Information has been received from the British consul-general at Warsaw that he and Mucukain, the pro-consul, were attacked by soldiers on January 28. Murray, the consul-general, is not believed to have been injured, but Mucukain, who is a Russian subject, was wounded by sword cuts and is in a hospital.

Representations were at once made by Ambassador Hardinge to the Russian government, which demanded that the governor-general of Warsaw institute strict enquiries into the incident. His Majesty's ambassador also sent Colonel Napier, the military attache, to Warsaw to report on the subject.

UNKNOWN DEAD IDENTIFIED.

Paris, Jan 30.—United States Consul-General Gowdy has been informed by the authorities that a stranger recently run over and killed on the Plaza de la Concorde has been identified as Chief Justice Kelley of the international court of appeals of Cairo, Egypt, who had been residing in London.

ROSSLAND ORE SHIPMENT.

Rossland, B. C., Jan. 30.—The ore shoot in the Le Roi on the 1450 foot level continues to develop in a very satisfactory manner. The Centre Star strike in the lower levels of the mine is most promising and add materially to the value of the mine. Everything is moving along satisfactorily at the several mines and the outlook is that the tonnage extracted this year will be larger than it was in 1904.

Following are the shipments for the week ending Saturday evening: Le Roi No. 2, 625; Centre Star, 1,440; War Eagle, 1,470; Velvet Portland, 100; Spitzee, 240; Jumbo 200; White Bear, 75; do., milled, 150; total, 6,300 tons; and for year 25,677 tons.

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KUROKI ATTEMPTS TO OUTFLANK RUSSIANS

Complete Failure of Kuropatkin's Move Results in a Counter Attack.

—The Russian attempt to turn the Japanese left has resulted in a complete failure. The Russians chose the worst weather of the season, depending perhaps upon their familiarity with a snowy country to aid them in their operations.

Their artillery attacks on the Japanese permanent line were, it is thought, a demonstration to prevent the withdrawal of forces for the purpose of reinforcing the Japanese left. All yesterday afternoon and into the night an artillery duel was waged across the Shakhe river. There was much heavy rifle firing from positions where the entrenchments are closest. It has been quiet today, except on the left. The weather is much milder.

Yesterday (Saturday) afternoon the Japanese began a fierce bombardment with artillery and musketry along the whole line. The fighting was kept up until midnight and was resumed at dawn today, continuing until noon. The Russian reply was feeble. A movement of the Japanese left wing for the purpose of surrounding and cutting off the Russians in the neighborhood of Pokowtai is progressing slowly, as the resistance has been stubborn. Should the Russian force be cut off it will result in leaving Gen. Kuropatkin's right flank unprotected.

PHILIPPINE ATROCITIES.

Manila, Jan. 31.—Montalon and Felizardo, the Ladrone leaders, have committed frightful atrocities. Natives who have expressed or shown sympathy for Americans have been hamstrung and their lips cut off. Justices of the peace have been abducted and killed. Montalon offered a reward for the head of Governor Trias, and also various prices for the heads of other persons. Troops are on the trail of the bandits. It is declared that drastic measures are the government's only recourse.

The Dawn Of Brighter Days

E. & N. roadbed, the Vancouver News-Advertiser semi-editorially says: "We are informed that the negotiations between the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. and Mr. James Dunsmuir, the president of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Co., for the sale of the latter railway, which have been going on for several months, have been brought to a satisfactory conclusion and the road will become the property of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. as soon as the necessary legal formalities can be carried out."

Vancouver, Jan. 30.—Seen this morning on his return, Supt. Marpole, of the C. P. R., acknowledged to the local press that negotiations were going on for the purchase of the E. & N. Railway on Vancouver Island, and that C. P. R. officials had been in Nanaimo in connection with the matter. No definite results of the negotiations, however, can be announced.

YAQUI OUTBREAK SERIOUS.

Tucson, Ariz., Jan. 30.—W. V. Daly, a mining engineer and mine owner, says that the Yaqui outbreak in Mexico is serious. There are probably 300 Yaquis out, divided into fifteen bands. They are well armed, and, according to Mr. Daly, are killing Americans and Mexicans indiscriminately. Twenty persons, Mr. Daly says, four of whom are Americans, have been killed in that district within the last week. General Torres and Governor Ysabl, with Mexican troops, are pursuing the renegades. Sunday they were reported to have surrounded a large band of Indians in Uvalma canyon, in the Mazatlan mountains.

SPIRITS SPOKE FALSELY.

Nanaimo, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Constable Cassidy visited George Elliott's ranch on Yellow Point Sunday morning, without success, Elliott remarking that he had eleven children of his own, which were quite sufficient. A medium in Vancouver, signing herself "Mrs. Walker," writes that she has located the children on an island two miles southeast of here. They were stolen by an old Englishman who lives on this island with his Japanese wife, she says. The old man, she adds, is going to return them and claim the reward, saying that he found them.

ARMIES INCREASING THEIR FORTIFICATIONS

Works in Centre Cause Most Reinforcements to Gather on Flanks.

Mukden, Jan. 29, via Tientsin, Jan. 30.—Official reports published in the army newspaper show that the entire east wing was undisturbed except by small scouting affairs during the fighting at Hotaltai and Fiechachuangtsu (Hsiokoutai and Chenshipao). The army is now working under the new organization and entirely new orders throughout, this even affecting the newspaper correspondents more vigorously. The creation of increased fortifications in the centre by both armies are resulting in both sides heaping their reinforcements on their flanks, reacaing a point where that side falling behind will slowly be forced to precipitate a battle.

The present state of affairs is apparently due to the clear, cold weather. The Japenese have advanced every available man to the front. It is reported that Liaoyang is deserted by soldiers. The railway south of Liaoyang is strongly held, especially the bridges which the Cossacks report are unapproachable on account of the armament of the former Russian defences and the supplementary Japanese works. In addition to Holantai Fiochachuangtsu, four other villages not so important were occupied by the Russians, two of which have already been relinquished. Much has been learned of the magnitude of the Japanese strength opposite the Russian offensive movement, and as the Japanese appear to be disposed to show their strength, it probably will result in the immediate restoration of the original lines of defence, if not in a Japanese aggressive movement. The final reports giving the loss at Holantai and Fiechachuangtsu are less than at first announced. The Russians appear to be satisfied themselves of the strength of the Japanese.

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THE AGREEMENT RE WATERWORKS.

Prominent has been given to the matter of an agreement between the B. C. Electric Railway Co. by the statement which appeared in the Colonist on Sunday morning. It has been the subject of considerable discussion since. In this issue Mr. Lubbe discusses the interview of Mayor Barnard. Opinions vary as to the merits of the dispute. It is held by some that an agreement more or less secret in nature should not have been made, and that in going so far in the negotiations Mayor Barnard exceeded his rights, or at least was not sufficiently frank with the public. On the other hand, the supporters of the Mayor justify it on the grounds of business expediency. His Worship made his position sufficiently clear in an interview printed in the Colonist just before the municipal elections. He stated that it was ordinary business precaution not to show his hand in a matter of vital importance to the city before he was in a position to deal definitely with the Esquimalt Waterworks Company. Secrecy was an attitude that could not be maintained, as whatever agreement was entered into had to come before the ratepayers for their sanction, and ample time would be allowed for the fullest discussion of every detail. The Colonist without a knowledge of the agreement that has been entered into in a preliminary way is not in a position to discuss it intelligently. It is one, too, which requires the report of an expert. This we may expect soon to have. Needless to say the question in all its aspects is one of the most important that has been before the citizens of Victoria for some time.

THE DOMINION EXHIBITION.

The Farmers' Advocate in its last number asks: "Where is the 1905 Dominion Exhibition to be held?" The question has been answered in the announcement that it is to be held at New Westminster. According to the Advocate the stockmen were beginning to get anxious about it as the time is short in which to prepare for it. Our contemporary stated: "We pointed out some time ago the desirability of having a Dominion Exhibition at the Coast this year, partly on account of the big Lewis and Clark Exposition to be held at Portland, Oregon, which will undoubtedly bring a large contingent of visitors from the Eastern, Central and Southern States, many of whom would journey north to see what British Columbia has to offer to tourists, to farmers, miners and commercial enterprises generally. Considerable time is needed to get up an exhibition worthy of the title Dominion, and an announcement should be made pretty soon if the Government intends to assist this year."

After the statement that no grant would be given this year had been made the announcement comes as quite a surprise, and we presume to the people of New Westminster a pleasant surprise, although they have not yet realized the responsibility of holding such an exhibition, if it is to be, as the Advocate says, worthy of the name. There is really very little time to spare to make ready for it, and it will require the expenditure of a large sum of money in addition to the sum to be received from the Dominion Government. It is, therefore, no mean undertaking. On account of the holding of the fair at Portland it is very essential that, now it has been decided upon, it should be a great success, and we trust to see every part of the Province assist to that end.

SOME FACTS ON TAXATION.

A correspondent writing in the Revelstoke Herald replies to an article in the Kootenay Mail headed "Jughandied Commission, Wild Land Taxation and Its Effects." "Fairplay," which is the nom de plume of the correspondent in question, says: "The article purposes also to deal with and incidentally to denounce the Provincial Government for its method of taxation as pertains to some timber lands held under crown grant by some Pittsburg capitalists." The facts brought out by "Fairplay" are interesting in the extreme. The timber lands to which reference is made were acquired years ago, and represent an area of 38,400 acres, which the owners hold at $750,000. He gives the history of the transaction as follows: In 1884 Ainsworth and Wright entered into an agreement with the Government to construct the Eagle Pass wagon road from Sicamous to Revelstoke in consideration of the sum of $20,000 in cash and 75,000 acres of land to be selected in even proportions or thereabouts in Kootenay district and in Yale. The result, of course, was that the choicest and most valuable lands were picked and 38,400 acres of the best timber land in the Big Bend, or for that matter in the interior of British Columbia, became the property of the contractors in satisfaction of the agreement, carrying with the grant, of course, all surface rights as well as timber. In 1887 the firm of Ainsworth and Wright sold to Shibley and Chase all their interest in these lands for 50 cents per acre, and a short time afterwards they sold to the present owners at a figure slightly in advance of what they paid.

Many of our readers will be familiar with the details as given above. We are informed that a deal was recently pending for the lands, in which the cash consideration was to have been $750,000. For the purpose of ascertaining their assessable value they were cruised by a government official, as a result some of the land being reported as carrying 300,000 feet per acre, and a large portion of it 100,000. Estimating it, however, at 35,000 feet per acre, which the owners would probably qualify as a ridiculously low estimate there would be no less than 1,344,000,000. If marketed at a profit of $1 per thousand it would represent $1,344,000 realized on the transaction.

The value placed on the timber limit by the assessor was $7.50 per acre, or a total assessment of $288,000. Upon an appeal to a court of revision, the amount was reduced to $182,000, upon which 5 per cent. wild land tax is levied. The taxes upon that basis amounted, less the 10 per cent. discount before the 30th of June, to $8,640, or 22½ cents per acre. Under the law as it stands, a lumberman wishing to lease a section of timber land, if not operating a mill, it is pointed out, has to pay 25 cents an acre and has only a 20 years' lease at the outside.

The owners of this land have held the timber in question for twenty years for purely speculative purposes, without cutting a stick of timber on it, and now as a protect against taxation they have threatened to cut this timber all down and float it to Spokane and manufacture it there into lumber.

We do not say that the complaints against the Assessment Act are all equally as ill-founded as the one to which "Fairplay" refers; but it is an instance of some of the complaints which are being championed by newspapers anxious to discredit the government. The editor of the Kootenay Mail we believe formerly was a strong advocate of taxing wild lands, and inveighed against the holding of lands in large tracts without being used.

TRYING TO KEEP THE MARKET.

Chas. Schack, who we presume is a lumber dealer, writes from High River, Alberta, to the Calgary Herald, stating that he received from a Winnipeg firm, agent for American lumber, a letter and petition blanks asking him to canvass for signatures to a petition to the Dominion Government not to put duty on American lumber. It is assumed that similar letters and blanks have been circulated throughout the whole of the Northwest and Manitoba, and that in a very short time there will be a monster petition go to Ottawa which will be accepted as the voice of the settlers of the prairie country.

Mr. Schack warns his fellow-lumber dealers against signing it, and asks them rather to join with the manufacturers in asking the Dominion Government to protect the lumber industry in the same way as the Eastern manufacturer is protected.

In speaking about the disastrous effect of the present condition of the lumber industry in the Province, he says:

"It means that they do not require any more of our horses, which they have bought from us in former years at good figures. The grain and hay supply is cut in half, hundreds of young farmers who went every winter to the lumber woods of British Columbia and brought back thousands of dollars, with which they improved their farms, find themselves without employment.

"Let us send our money to British Columbia and we get it back again in various ways. They need our horses, need our men, need our produce, what of it if we pay 2 per cent. more for our lumber does this signify anything? I think not as long as they pay high wages to the men we send them from the country and good prices for our produce.

"I do not alone want every lumber dealer, to whom I presume the petition lists are sent, to help, but I ask every business man and farmer to well consider the question. Let British Columbia flourish and we will flourish, let us all do our share towards it as British Columbia is the only market we have for all our produce."

Mr. Schack may not be a Britisher, as his name would indicate, but he is evidently a believer in fair play, and feels that it is a poor business proposition for the Northwest to buy lumber from a foreign country, which buys nothing back, and all at the expense of a sister Province, which is one of its most profitable customers. The commercial basis of Confederation is the success of inter-Provincial trade. While we buy everything principally in use from the Eastern Province, we have nothing to sell in return, except lumber and fruit. If through the operations of producers in a foreign country we are excluded from selling lumber there is very little left for us. We do not get even one per cent. of the trade benefits of Confederation.

PACIFIC COAST SALMON CANNING.

We are in receipt of the annual number of the Pacific Fisherman, published in San Francisco, which is brimful of information about the fisheries of the Coast, and well worthy to be kept on file for reference on the subject. Apart from its special features it is particularly interesting at the present time on account of the complete statistics it contains of the salmon pack for 1904. These are as follows:

	Cases.
Sacramento River	19,698
Columbia River	423,073
Outside Rivers	164,971
British Columbia	465,894
Alaska	1,952,144
Puget Sound	276,920
	3,302,700

There also are complete statistics of the salmon hatcheries on the Coast, from which we extract the following for British Columbia:

Chinook fry	4,495,000
Sockeye	22,554,000
Cohoe	6,204,000
	33,253,000

By hatcheries the result was as follows:

Seton Lake hatchery	4,989,000
Lakelse	4,120,000
Nimpkish	3,050,000
Shuswap	3,395,000
Bon Accord	11,699,000
Harrison Lake	6,000,000
	33,253,000

On the United States side of the line the following fry were hatched and liberated:

Alaska hatcheries	112,510,000
Puget Sound hatcheries	32,785,770
Columbia River hatcheries	19,477,740
Miscellaneous hatcheries	124,621,307
	289,394,823

In addition to its statistics the Pacific Fisherman Annual contains a number of special articles by experts and practical men in various lines of the industry and science of fishing on this Coast. Among them is an article by Mr. Babcock, being a review of the operations in British Columbia during 1904. The subjects include edible mollusks, shell fishes of the Northwest, the marking of artificially hatched salmon, early canning days on Puget Sound, labels, past and present, Pacific codfish industry, halibut fishing, hatcheries of the Alaska Packers' Association, the salmon situation, the story of the Pacific Packing and Navigation Company, British Columbia (by John Pease Babcock), and a number of others of lesser note. We congratulate the Pacific Fisherman on a number which it is probably quite right in claiming as the best special edition of a technical journal ever issued west of the Mississippi River.

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SALE OF THE E. & N. RAILWAY.

Rumors have been current for several days on the street that the E. & N. Railway had been sold to the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., and last evening it was announced that the deal had been practically completed. Mr. Dunsmuir, who was interviewed yesterday regarding the truth of the report, said there was no change in the status of the ownership, and that nothing had occurred to justify the conclusion that a sale had been completed. While not denying that some negotiations had taken place recently with several parties, he refused to discuss details. To whatever extent the matter has been discussed it has as yet taken no definite shape.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

RUSSIAN FAIR PLAY.

Sir—I see a letter in Sunday's Colonist, signed "Fair Play," (save the mark!) referring to the slaughter of peaceable petitioners to the Czar of All the Russias, in which this writer tries to gloss over this unwarranted butchery. He says that unjust condemnation has been placed on the military. What intelligent reader of the news could, or would, condemn the military, whose first duty is to obey orders? It is the master of the military who is righteously condemned. Fairplay, forsooth! Since when did the Czar and his entourage ever think of fair play? Did the Jews at Kishneif have any of it? Did our defenceless fishermen on the North sea have any of it? Talk of fair play to such men to whom honor is a by word and truth a scoff. Did China see any fair play in Manchuria, which the Russian government, by the mouth of their foreign minister, in the most solemn pledges to the ministry of Great Britain, time and again promised they would evacuate? Has "Fair Play" read any recent accounts of the petition to the Czar by the village councils and Prince Troubetskoi? I suppose he would say that Tolstoy was a fanatic! Make no mistake, "Fair Play," the Almighty is not mocked; the nation that has treated His ancient people as the Jews have been maltreated by the Russian government, headed by a long list of ministers down to M. Pleyne, will not escape condemnation. Those crowds of simple people going to see the Little White Father at the Winter Palace, with their petitions, had no thoughts of rioting until they were ruthlessly shot down in "foul play."

PROTOS MECANICOS.

LET US HAVE LIGHT.

Sir—As one of those who inaugurated the Esquimalt Waterworks Company twenty years ago, and being in a position to know the whole truth about the relative positions of the city, the Waterworks Company and the Tramway Company, for the information of the citizens of Victoria, I beg to state: That the Waterworks Company are not parties to the secret bargain made between the Mayor and aldermen of 1904 and the Tramway Company (patent on the face of it), and have never had and would have refused to be party to any secret trafficking with anyone affecting their own rights or the rights of the citizens of Victoria.

The Waterworks Company were not aware of the secret bargain till after it was made, though it was suspected that some deal in which they were not represented was going on.

I now have copies of that bargain in my possession.

This bargain has been referred to as having been made by the Mayor and aldermen of 1904. It was, however, not signed by the aldermen, and how far each alderman was aware of and assented to each stipulation remains to be seen.

Anyone would naturally be startled to hear of such a bold coup being attempted on the city and would wonder how any of the people's servants could have been induced to sign it, were it not that the report of the interview with the Mayor in Sunday's Colonist shows what scanty and misleading information was furnished the aldermen as to the actual position of the Tramway Company and the Waterworks Company in respect to each other.

The agreement between the Waterworks Company, by virtue of which the Tramway Company gets power and which has been in existence for more than seven years, is in writing. It is not the fact that that agreement is practically for the sole benefit of the Tramway Company. Very much to the contrary. And the Tramway Company would no doubt be glad to get rid of having to pay anyone for the power with which they run the tramway and get rid of a probable competitor in the power and lighting business.

Anyone reading the "secret" bargain between the Mayor and Aldermen of 1904 and the Tramway Company can see in it that bargain, though in part closely following the lines of the agreement between the Waterworks Company and the Tramway Company, leaves out those safeguards which should be in for the protection of the city and which are in the tramway-waterworks agreement of 1897 protecting the Waterworks Company), and practically gives the Tramway Company as against the city a monopoly of all the power to be obtained from Goldstream, and at about half the rental now being paid by the Tramway Company to the Waterworks Company for a comparatively small portion of the power available, and throws into the Tramway Company's hands all the electric lighting and power for manufacturing from that source within the city of Victoria and surroundings over a radius of twelve miles.

It is not a fact, as the interview with the Mayor would by implication, designedly or otherwise, convey to people not conversant with the matter, that the Tramway Company are entitled to take or use an unlimited quantity of water from Goldstream. On the contrary they are not entitled to any water beyond (ten thousand) 10,000 gallons per day of 24 hours. All they get beyond this is the right to use the power which a specified number of gallons of water (not anywhere near the capacity of the watershed) falling from a certain height gives to them.

The water, after being used by the Tramway Company at their powerhouse, is still the water of the Waterworks Company for distribution and sale by them, and can still be used for domestic, manufacturing, light or power purposes.

Nor have the Tramway Company the exclusive right of renting water from the Waterworks Company for the purpose of generating electricity.

They have no such exclusive right.

The city or anyone else obtaining water from the Waterworks Company have always had the right to use such water for power purposes if they chose in order to supply themselves or the citizens with light.

The Waterworks Company have had, since February, 1899, authority to rent water to anyone who chooses to use it for generating electricity or running a tramway or any other purpose irrespective of the Tramway Company.

The power which at the present time may be generated from that portion of the property owned by the Waterworks Company situate in the immediate vicinity of Goldstream is far in excess of the power which the Tramway Company can generate under the provisions of their agreement with the Waterworks Company, and is capable of an immense expansion many times in excess of its present capacity.

Under the secret bargain it must be borne in mind that if any of the many "events" enumerated therein should crystallize into something tangible the Tramway Company would have a rakeoff of nearly 50 per cent. and a complete monopoly in the bargain. The board of aldermen of 1904 had a misconception of the respective rights of the Waterworks Company and the Tramway Company, but, fortunately for the ratepayers, the secret so-called contract is not worth the paper it is written on.

The Tramway Company's charges for electric light in this city vary from 10 to 17 cents per K. W. hour (in other words, a rate of $650 to $1,100 per horse power per annum), there not being any competition with water power generated electricity, while in Seattle the charge, owing to the competition between electric companies, whose electricity is generated from water power is three cents per K. H. hour (in other words, a rate of $196 per horse power per annum). In reference to the Tramway Company's offer to supply power to the city electric light station on Store street at 1½ cents per K. W. hour (providing that at least one of the before referred to "events" eventuates, and on this condition only), this offer is equivalent to $98 per horse power per annum, the cost of such horse power to the Tramway Company at present (under its contract with the Waterworks Company) is $40 per horse power per annum delivered at Victoria. This cost to the Tramway Company, however, should one of the "events" materialize, would be reduced by reason of the aforesaid rakeoff to $29, thus giving the Tramway Company the difference between $29 and $98, equal to a profit of $69 on each horse power. For how long? Query—Forever? While they have offered the city under present conditions to furnish the same power for the same purpose at 1¾ cents per K. W.—1-4 cent difference per K. W. hour only equal to an imaginary saving to the city of $16 per horse power per annum, which is the munificent gain the city would get in exchange for a monopoly granted the Tramway Company.

Should the city wish to increase its water supply for domestic purposes, or for the generating of power, lighting or other purposes, I have no doubt but that the Waterworks Company would meet them in a most liberal manner, and the city would be in a position to supply power to the Tramway Company at Victoria, B. C., instead of the Tramway Company having a monopoly of power and light upon the southeastern portion of Vancouver Island. Nor would there be a necessity for secret bargaining, the Waterworks Company having always done their business above board and having no desire to conceal anything.

I may add that about twelve years ago the Waterworks Company proposed to the city a joint ownership with them in the Waterworks Company's property. This was at a time when the company's investment of money was comparatively small. The city, however, rejected the offer, preferring to draw its supply from Elk lake.

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WEDNESDAY

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Ermine, $15.00 and $30.00
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All furs at $9.75, $10.00 and $10.50, for $5.00
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We have prepared a number of interesting bargains in this department for the last day of January:
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18 Boys' Norfolks. Sizes 24, 25, 26, 27 and 32. Today.. $2.50
28 Men's $7.50, $8.75 and $10.00 Suits for $5.00
Boys' 3-piece Suits, $6.75 qualities, for $4.75
15 Boys' English Reefers, brass buttons; sizes 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28. Today 75c
24 Boys' Norfolk Suits. Today $3.50
This lot is mode up of odd lines; sizes 24, 26, 27, 28, 31 and 32. Values $4.50 to.. $6.75
45 Men's $12.50, $15.00 and $17.50 Suits for $8.00
15 Boys' $4.50 and $5.75 Overcoats for $3.50
17 Boys' $6.50, $6.75 Overcoats for $4.50

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Sir—I wish to give expression to a few thoughts, and as I think they might be of some value to the farmers, I will consider it a kindness if you will insert them in your valuable paper.

The farmer seems to be content to jog along without any particular purpose in view; especially is this the case with the members of the Victoria Farmers' Institute, which was fully demonstrated at their last annual meeting, when they voted, without a dissenting voice, that forty dollars be spent in helping to defray the expenses of one night's amusement—eighty members' fees for one night's fun!

I am sure there is no farmer or farmer's son but would put his hand in his pocket to pay a reasonable sum for a night's enjoyment, especially when knowing it to be for such a laudable object of having a reunion. But this matter of annually bleeding the institute is a great mistake. Instead of having substance and an anchorhold to stand by, it will soon be a phantom and a shadow—and if the apron strings once got severed its life would be of short duration indeed. I would suggest that the executive husband all the resources at their command in trying to raise a good bank account; and then they would abe able to grasp the opportunity when the time arrived. In these days of financial problems, money is power, and farmers ought to know it. Have a set goal in view, and in trying to reach it, we cultivate the power of self-reliance, and the spirit of independence will rise in the ascendency. Hoping the new directors will give heed to the murmurings that are afloat.

A SAANICH FARMER.

BAGPIPES AGAIN IN FAVOR.

London World.

That terrible instrument, the bagpipes, is winning favor in certain circles. It is even whispered there is a fair royal piper, and that the daughters of Scottish nobles are rapidly becoming proficient in the art of skirling the pipes is the hapless experience of many visitors to the north. There are those who find the bagpipes trying at the best of times, but if they are to be placed in the hands of the amateur, will life beyond the border be worth living?

SAD AMUSEMENTS OF THE BRITON.

Liverpool Post and Mercury.

A certain invalid gentleman in the neighborhood of Liverpool has hit on a device whereby he can amuse himself without assistance, and can also obtain a certain amount of intellectual exercise. He reads Henry James' latest novels and keeps a bridge marker meantime. If Mr. James has a sentence which he understands he gives a mark to himself; if, on the contrary he meets a sentence which beats him, he gives a mark to Henry James. So far the game has been going on a couple of weeks, and Henry James is far ahead of his admirer, but, of course, the tables may be turned when the contest is concluded. The process is tedious enough, since, in justice, every sentence has to be analyzed; but the invalid declares that it is a capital exercise, and he is recommending it to his friends.

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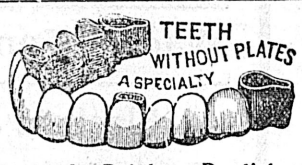

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LOCAL NEWS.

Police Appointment.—In consequence of a sudden increase of police work at Nanaimo since the loss of the Jones and Rogers children, Mr. Trawford has been appointed special provincial police officer at the Coal City.

Want Telephone—This evening at Temperance hall, Cedar Hill, a meeting will be held in the interests of residents of the two districts—Gordon Head and Cedar Hill—asking for the securing of telephonic connection with Victoria. They are prepared to put up the poles if the telephone company will string the wires and maintain the service. It is altogether probable that a satisfactory arrangement will be reached.

Has Good News.—Letters received by private parties from Captain John Irving, who is now in New York on a mining deal, are of the most cheering character. Captain John has a copper "proposition" near Whitehorse, and is desirous of securing the erection of a smelter near the property. Advices to hand are to the effect that the captain has succeeded in putting through the deal, all the necessary capital having been subscribed.

Nothing in It.—Rumor has been busy on the Mainland creating a new cabinet office for Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton by predecating the retirement of Hon. R. F. Green from the chief commissionership and the accession of Hon. Mr. Carter-Cotton. Upon no lower authority than that of the premier, it may be stated that there is absolutely nothing in the report. Hon. Mr. Green has shown in practice a fine grasp of the affairs of his department and has been very popular with the public and his associates in administering lands and works business. And he is likely to remain at the helm for some time to come.

C. P. R. Ambitions.—It is a matter of common gossip that the C. P. R. has made arrangements for the securing of other large holdings in water front property along the southern shore of James Bay, adjacent to the present wharf property now being utilized by that company. The story is to the effect that options have been taken on all the property on the foreshore lying between the present wharf and Sehl's Point, and that it is intended to build a retaining wall and fill in the space behind as solid property. This accomplished, would give the C. P. R. control of the entire water front on the southern shore of James Bay between the James Bay boathouse and Laurel Point, and constitute a very valuable holding.

The Spirits Were Misinformed.—On the very fantastic information of a Victoria spiritualistic devotee, the provincial constable at Ladysmith visited Yellow Point last Sunday in the dim hope of obtaining a clue to the whereabouts of the missing Nanaimo children, Rogers and Jones. He found the sheep ranch as described—the husband and the wife. He also found children, eleven in all, but not one an interloper. The latest suggestion to the searchers now comes from a Vancouver medium, who picturesquely describes in detail the cabin in the marsh where she alleges the little tots are hidden. Meanwhile the public appears to be divided as to the fate of the little ones, one section of the Nanaimo community maintaining that they have been carried to the mountains and devoured by pathers, while others favor the theory of an Indian kidnapping.

Dominion Fair—A very live subject of discussion amongst Victorians yesterday was the announcement that the Dominion government had decided to make the grant of $50,000 to the Dominion fair to be held at New Westminster this year. While considerable disappointment was manifested because Victoria is "out of it," it was agreed that it would be a fine thing for the province generally. A great quantity of stock and general exhibits will come from Ontario and Manitoban points, this necessarily implying a great influx of visitors. It is assumed that the great New Westminster fair this year will prove one of the most important incidents in western development for a decade, and though Victorians are naturally chagrined at the result, they feel that the province is to be congratulated upon having in this fashion secured recognition of western requirements.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Lad Of Fifteen Ends His Life

Has Mania for Experiment With Deadly High - Power Explosives.

Despondency Ended With a Bullet Through the Heart

Tragic in the extreme, and no less pathetic than tragic, was the death by his own hand on Sunday evening of Frederick Morrison Rogers, the fifteen-years-old son of Mr. C. W. Rogers, wholesale confectioner of 34 Government street. "Died by his own hand while temporarily insane" was the verdict of the coroner's jury, which yesterday made formal and official inquiry into the circumstances of the deed, but back of and beyond the domain of co-related facts which may be brought within the ken of coroners' juries, there was a psychological problem that the boy now dead had faced and wrestled with alone—a problem nearly akin to that which is made the basis of "Hamlet's" immortal soliloquy. And, given all the facts, who shall blame the dead for the solution with which he met grim fate? There is, indeed, a dash of the heroic in the calm quittance made of life when its complications pressed and crowded with menace to Society.

Of course the coroner's inquiry was seized only of the tangible facts. The psychological aspect of the case did not concern either the coroner or the jury. It was theirs to investigate how and in what manner the deceased, Frederick Morrison Rogers, came to his untimely death, and true deliverance make upon this ghastly text. Their duty ended with the verdict of suicide, and a merciful qualification or extenuating finding of "temporary insanity." It is left for those who dare and care, to draw aside the dark curtain and picture for themselves the campaign of emotions—of fear, of dread, of hesitancy, of sudden heroism that preceded and led up to the deed of self-destruction.

On the authority of friends who knew him well and who now tell of random conversations with him in no way connected with the ghastly deed of Sunday, young Rogers had from early youth "a mania for explosives." It was his boyish delight to study the composition, the power and the particular action of dynamite, giant powder, nitro, lyddite and the score and more other ruin-scattering compounds known to present day science. He carried sticks of dynamite in his pockets as he rode to and fro on the street cars, with the same affectionate consideration for them that the average or normal boy has for his favorite jack-knives. Three fingers sacrificed about a month ago to his passion for experiment, increased a natural melancholy perhaps, but did not in the least depreciate the proneness toward handling and used high explosives. Firearms were something of a kindred hobby, and Frederick Landsberg had orders from the youth's parents to let him have weapons whenever he should apply for them. A close companion on the Princess Victoria is quoted as having been told by young Rogers, "I know I'm half crazy about explosives and I'm continually fearful lest I do some great damage to life or property."

Piecing information and gossip together, and applying the principle of two and two make four, it seems that Rogers knew himself to be mentally affected, knew that his predilection was a continual menace to the safety of society, knew that a mental cure is difficult if not hopeless, and knew that his unfortunate accident at the same time had handicapped his usefulness to his parents. And so to assure that no harm should come to others through his infirmity, he cast the fateful die and determined no longer to endure those ills we know, but fly to others that we know not of.

And who is there feels himself competent to judge him harshly?

Self-destruction had probably been in the boy's mind for some time past, coupled with the thought that it would be best not to cast the shadow of his misfortunes and tragic end over the paternal home. Hence it probably was that he had prepared the way for the exact development of events, by obtaining first of all an order from his father for firearms and ammunition, and afterwards permission to go at any time to the New England and occupy a room there. Indeed the father had advised the hotel that it was "all right" should the lad at any time put up there.

On Sunday evening at about 7 o'clock the boy engaged a room from Mr. Young; he was in and out of the building several times, and returning finally at half-past nine, he said good night to Superintendent Hussey, Chief Langley and Mr. H. Wille, who happened to be chatting in the hotel office at the time. Going upstairs, he entered his room, which was on the second floor, opposite Mr. M. Young's. Mr. Young heard the fall of his boots to the floor—then muffled shot. Crossing at once to the room of the young guest, it was discovered that he had put a revolver to his heart and ended his troubles with a bullet. He had fallen across the bed, and death was almost instantaneous.

Mr. Young, who had retired, heard the noise of the shot and smelt gunpowder. Quickly entering the room, the door of which had been left unlocked, he found Rogers lying upon his back upon the bed, with his left hand over his heart and a .38 calibre Smith and Wesson revolver clutched in his right hand. He was unconscious and groaning heavily. With the exception of his boots, he was still fully dressed. Upon the dressing table lay a note, pathetically brief, as follows:

"Dear mamma and papa:—I am doing this because I am so foolish and cannot do any work, so I don't want to live.

"Your loving son,
"FRED."

A hurried telephone message brought Chief Langley upstairs, but Rogers had died almost immediately. Dr. Herman Robertson was summoned at once, but could do nothing, and the patrol wagon conveyed the remains of the unhappy lad to the morgue.

The accident which befel the deceased about a month ago is thought to have accentuated his worries. While experimenting with explosives he had three fingers taken off his left hand, and this is probably what he referred to in his sad little farewell note. Self-destruction had evidently been planned months in advance. Over and over again the boy had made the remark to his father that he would like to engage a room at the New England some night and apparently he had hesitated long before loosing the silver thread on Sunday evening. He carefully concealed his deep emotions and mental conflict, completely deceiving everyone with whom he was brought in contact. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are heartbroken over the tragic ending to their boy's career and the deepest sympathy is expressed for them throughout the city.

The inquest, held yesterday before the coroner, Dr. E. C. Hart, developed evidence justifying the verdict that the deceased, Frederick Morrison Rogers, had taken his life while temporarily insane. John M. Langley, chief of police, told of finding Rogers lying on his bed at the New England hotel, with a .38 calibre Smith and Wesson revolver at his side, he having put a bullet into his body about two inches above his waist. Dr. Robertson testified that death was due to internal hemorrhage. Mr. Frederick Landsberg gave evidence that the boy had a penchant for using firearms, and that it was customary for him to hire them from him, the boy's father consenting. The father had given written orders for witness to give the boy a revolver, as it was a favorite pastime for him to use firearms. Other witnesses testified to idiosyncracies of the deceased with regard to a mania for explosives. He was ever talking of the action of giant powder and dynamite, and but a short time ago had three fingers blown away by an explosive of a dynamite cap. M. Young, one of the proprietors of the New England, told of how Rogers had talked of explosives on the night he committed suicide. He had taken the room, he said, to see if it compared with those at a Seattle hotel. He wanted a room with a fire-escape in it. Mr. Hiscocks told of selling alcohol, which Rogers said he wanted to clean glasses with, to the boy. The alcohol bottle was found empty in the room. Some oil and cleaning rods, with oil-soaked rags, were found, evidently having been used to oil the revolver, which the boy had loaded with six cartridges before firing the one which killed him, and on whose case the trigger rested.

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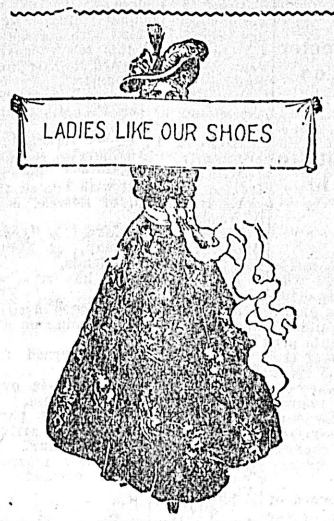

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BURGLARS ALARMED WHEN CRACKING SAFE

Would Have Robbed Johns Bros. Depository If Passerby Had Not Frightened Them.

The grocery of Johns Brothers, on Douglas street, was entered by burglars early on Sunday morning, and but for the passing of Mrs. Anderson who saw two men emerge and heard the explosion which followed their attempt to blow the safe open, the firm would have written off several hundred dollars—about $500—to "loss." The burglars were evidently disturbed by the coming of the lady.

They entered the grocery by picking the lock on the front door, and attacked the Taylor safe in a seemingly professional way. The knob was unscrewed and the combination indicator pried apart to allow of an explosive being inserted. What this explosive was the police do not know. They left a small soap-like substance behind with which the combination and door of the safe was smeared. A fuse was laid and fired.

When the fuse was fired, footsteps were heard on the board walk of Douglas street and two men ran from the front door of the store across the road to the field opposite. One tripped and fell, but regained his feet quickly and ran on. They evidently did not return, for when the police were notified by Mr. Johns, who received a telephone message from the lady who had seen the burglars come from the store, they found a sledge hammer with a handle two feet long and a "jimmy," also an iron rod and the strange substance, the composition of which is unknown.

As they ran from the store an explosion occurred which blew part of the combination through the front door and strained the door badly. It would not have been difficult for the burglars to complete their work with the jimmy and hammer on their return—but they did not return.

The police are now looking for the fugitives.

SESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS.

Staff Is Named and Preparations for the Opening Advance Apace.

Material preparations are now afoot at the Parliament buildings for the opening of the legislature next week. Cleaners are at work overhauling the furniture, dusting chairs and desks, and generally touching up the interior paraphanalia of the chamber. The electrical apparatus has been tested and put in order, the speaker's bell has been polished to a nicety, the dais has been dusted and made to shine, the division bells have been rung, before hand, to show that they work smoothly, and everything is being put ship shape for sessions by day or by night.

In a day or so the sergeant-at-arms will be summoned, and he in turn will call upon his corps of workers to get everything ready to facilitate the daily grind of the legislative mill. Wells of unwritten thoughts will be distributed and pens and paper will not be forgotten, to permit the wisdom of the chamber to fittingly manifest itself. Aqua tanks will be filled up and glasses placed at hand, ready for those oratorical emergencies, when speech withers under the strain of expression, and the member from the back country calls hoarsely for "a glass of water, please."

This year the sessional staff will be somewhat changed. The well-known form of Mr. Harry Mason, who, with shouldered mace, has in the past ushered in the speaker, will not be there, his place being taken by Mr. Wm. J. Saunders, formerly deputy sergeant-at-arms.

The following is the official list of appointees: Sergeant-at-arms, Wm. J. Saunders; assistant sergeant, Munroe Miller; doorkeeper, E. W. Musson; messenger, Richard Ryan; pages, Cecil Tyrrwhit Drake, Stanley Creed, R. J. Lang, W. Carthew, Wm. Hartwell and John Whittier; stenographers for session, Miss Muriel Langley and Miss Estelia Atkinson.

Mr. Thornton Fell will, of course, be found at the desk of the clerk of the house, and Mr. Oscar C. Bass will act as law clerk.

Gets His Liberty.—Colonel Hayes, of Hayes mine, West Coast celebrity, today regains his liberty, after a period of several years' sojourn in the confines of the King's prison, as a result of a criminal action brought against him by Captain John Irving.

THERE ARE WHEELS WITHIN WHEELS

Which Is Why Two Colored Women Were Arrested—Police Search for Chinks.

"The idea! What us? Vagrancy—the very idea!"

Two colored women were hitting the pipe; they hadn't got to the beautiful dream stage, but the opium was putting them that way when Chief Langley looked in. He wasn't looking for them. There were two Chinamen wanted, one an escapee from the lock-up, the other wanted for the aggravated assault on Charlie Goodenough, and the chief was searching through Chinatown, when he found the two distinctive brunettes smoking opium in a Chinese joint.

And the wagon was soon outside the door.

"It's up to the lock-up, babe," said one. "And Ah've been there befoah, suah ah have."

It was the escape of Wong Ah Lock that was in part responsible for the arrest of the two dusky hitters of the pipe. Wong was charged with stealing a diamond ring, valued at $100, the property of Mrs. McBride, wife of the Premier. He was to have been tried yesterday morning, but when the time came Wong was missing.

About 7 o'clock the door of the cell chamber had been left open for a moment, and Wong took advantage of the open door quick as a German trader in the Orient. He sneaked out and ran for Chinatown.

The police haven't seen him since, but they expect to renew his acquaintance before long.

There's another Chinese under arrest in connection with the thefts of Wong Ah Lock. He is charged with being in possession of stolen goods, and he has friends. The friends think it will go worse with him if Wong stands aloof from the police who seek his acquaintance, and the friends may bring him in. Anyhow, it is not expected that Wong's liberty will be long.

Likewise one Ling—the police are scouring Chinatown for him. He is wanted to answer the charge of aggravated assault upon Charles Goodenough, the waiter at the New England.

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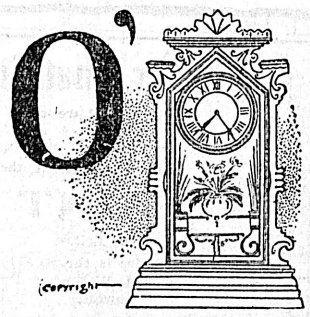

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Quiet Prevails At St. Petersburg

Business Proceeds as Usual and Trouble at Other Points Watched.

Further Attacks Made on Integrity of Great Britain by Officials.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—(11:45 p. m.)—The day here was passed in perfect quiet. The report that a bomb was thrown at the governor-general's residence is unfounded.

Interest has been transferred from St. Petersburg and Moscow to Warsaw, Lodz and Libau, where a state of siege has been proclaimed. In the rioting at Warsaw on Sunday at least 160 persons were killed or wounded. The strike continues unabated and business is paralyzed. However, the crisis is by no means passed and there is great apprehension here with regard to what the night may bring forth, especially if the attempt to disable the lighting system should be successful. The Warsaw demonstrators evidently are in an ugly mood. The public reprimand administered to deputy chief of police Roundneff of Moscow on account of the posting of the anti-British telegram has been delivered and in government circles it is thought to be severe enough to satisfy British opinion.

It is thought that this step with circulating the reprimand in provincial administrations will prevent further attacks or insinuations against foreigners and will remove the incident from the realm of diplomacy.

Work is being generally resumed. In Moscow the men's demands have been partially conceded and all the railway workshops have resumed operations. The strike has ended at Saratoff. At Libau some strikers have returned to work.

Most of the factories and mills of St. Petersburg are in operation and the strike to all intents and purposes is ended. A few large establishments have not yet fully resumed operations, owing to the official formalities necessary in registering their thousands of employees. Some of the workmen at the Putiloff works, where the strike originated, have asked for the celebration of a religious service by the male portion of St. Petersburg before returning to work, "so as to remove the effect of the presence of the unfrocked priest and excommunicated leader, Father Gopon." Some Social Democrats are protesting against the arrests on Friday and Saturday on the ground that the action taken was a violation of the implied purpose contained in the proclamation of the authorities. The manufacturers' association will meet this week to decide the question of paying the wages of the strikers for the time the latter were not at work, but a number of the works have already paid their unskilled laborers, whose payday was Jan. 28, half or full time. The rest of the employers probably will decide to pay their workmen at least part of their wages for the time they were out on strike.

The posting of placards at Libau signed by the governor of the court, and of a similar purpose to those posted at Moscow charging Great Britain with responsibility for the disturbances in Russia, has called out another vigorous protest from the British ambassador, Sir Charles Hardinge, who has pointed out to Foreign Minister Lamsdorff that such proceedings must make a deplorable impression in Great Britain and cannot fail to seriously affect the friendly relations of the two countries. The British military attache here, Major Napier, has been despatched to Warsaw to enquire into the attack on British Consul General Murray and the vice-consul there.

The Novesti says Secretary Hay's note on the subject of China will be interpreted in different ways. "We cannot say," the paper adds, "that it promises the belligerents agreeable prospects. If other cabinets come to an agreement with Washington it may happen that neither Russia or Japan will get the slightest benefit from the war. Other powers are preparing to set out their claims in case peace is declared. These powers have suddenly conceived a desire to preserve China's integrity and neutrality under any circumstances. Their solicitude comes a little late."

FIGHTING CONTINUES IN WARSAW STREETS

Street Cars With Military Escorts and Mob Grows More Dangerous.

London, Jan. 31.—The Daily Mail's Warsaw correspondent telegraphs: "The street railway service here has been partly resumed, with soldiers riding before and after the cars. The fighting continues and the mob is growing in dangerous fashion. There have been frequent collisions between the people and soldiers. Revolutionists attacked the troops with revolvers and knives. The principal disturbances today occurred in Novisw street, a leading business street.

"At 11 o'clock Sunday night a regiment of infantry marched thither from Smolna street, when somebody fired on them, whereupon the troops were ordered to form a square and fire from four sides.

"The Wola district is protected by a large body of troops. A mob of hungry men tried to thrust the bayonets aside to get at the bakery. The guards proved good-natured and did not hurt the women.

"Even now the slightest weakening of the military would result in an immediate recrudescence of violence. Many rioters who have been arrested were found to be armed with long knives and a uniform kind of revolver, confirming the reports that the revolutionary party some time back succeeded in smuggling thousands of revolvers.

"Food is almost unprocurable, and bread is at famine prices. The ambulances are busy today and night.

"God help Warsaw."

Fire This Morning.—At about a quarter to three this morning fire was discovered in the third storey of Lenz & Leiser's factory on Yates street, near the corner of Oriental alley. The fire department answered the call promptly and soon had the fire under control. The damage will be mostly confined to the upper story of the factory, although the stock of overalls, etc., on the second floor will be more or less damaged.

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News Notes Of The Dominion

Montreal's Boiler Inspector Makes Interesting Report on Gas Production.

Civic Engineer Meets With a Strange Misadventure In Toronto.

Montreal, Jan. 30.—At today's meeting of the City Council a report was presented, prepared by Boiler Inspector Champagne, on the municipal gas plant. Champagne reported that gas could be manufactured at a cost of 26 cents per thousand cubic feet. At the end of the first year gas could be sold for 65 cents a thousand; at the end of ten years for 48 cents, and at the end of twenty years for 33 cents. The cost of the plant and mains was placed at $5,000,000. Doubt is expressed as to the correctness of the boiler inspector's figures. The report was not discussed.

Some time ago the Toronto board of trade and the Toronto branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association asked the railway companies, the C. P. R., G. T. R. and Intercolonial, to give reduced rates semi-annually to Toronto to enable retail merchants to visit that city for the purpose of making purchases. The railways have declined to accede to the request, feeling that if the privileges were granted Toronto, every other city desiring it would ask and be entitled to similar considerations.

OTTAWA RIVER RAILROAD.

The contract for the construction of the Ottawa River Railway Company's line between Montreal and Ottawa has been awarded to P. E. McGath, of Easton, Pa. The line is to be built as a high-class steam railway, but the city and suburban section is to be handled entirely by electricity, and no steam engines will enter the city. The first section to be built will be that between Hawkesbury and Montreal. The contract also provides for the construction of the line to Georgian Bay as soon as a bill authorizing the amalgamation with the company chartered by the Ontario legislature is passed.

STRANGE DEATH.

Toronto, Jan. 30.—R. H. Barrett, son of N. Barrett, collector of customs at Amherstburg, employed recently as a civil engineer on the Grand Trunk Pacific, came to this city from Pembroke Saturday night. In the evening, accompanied by five Greeks, he applied at 123 York street, a cheap lodging house, and said he desired to provide his companions with a night's lodging by way of charity. This was done. Barrett then asked for quarters for himself, and was given a room with a stranger. At 5 o'clock yesterday morning Barrett was found unconscious on the sidewalk, and on the way to the hospital he died. His room mate says he was awakened by a noise and saw Barrett's heels disappearing out of the window. Police investigations are being made.

NOTHING DOING.

The cabinet met again today, but at the close the announcement was made that there was nothing for publication, but it is expected now that the announcements of its resignation will be made before Wednesday.

SUIT FOR DAMAGES.

B. W. Folger, on behalf of all the shareholders of the New York Canadian Copper Company, took action today against William G. Pollock and W. L. Kimberley, of Chicago, for $50,000 damages for attempting to wreck the company, and $25,000 for breach of agreement. The company's properties cover 320 acres in Thunder Bay.

FATAL RUNAWAY.

Kingston, Jan. 30.—Alexander Beckenridge, a farmer, going home from Napanee, had a runaway. The horses ran against a stone bridge abutment, throwing the driver violently against it and dashing out his brains. He was 45 years of age and unmarried. One of the horses had its back broken.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

Leamington, Jan. 30.—Fire today destroyed the Methodist church; loss, $15,000.

Sherbrooke, Ont., Jan. 30.—The Barston woollen mills at Ways' Mills and contents were destroyed by fire at an early hour yesterday morning. Loss, $10,000; partly covered by insurance.

YUKON SCORES.

Westville, N. S., Jan. 30.—The Yukon hockey team won their game with Picton county team tonight by 7 to 3.

B. F. Armstrong, a prominent business man of Vancouver, has returned to the Terminal City after a week-end visit to Victoria. Mr. Armstrong, who is a cousin of R. W. R. Armstrong, of the Colonist job department, is the donor of the cup at present held by the J. B. A. A. basketball team.

C. S. Battle has returned to the Mainland.

Manager C. A. Crosbie, of the Royal Bank of Canada at Vancouver, has returned to that city.

Miss Lena Chambers is visiting with Mrs. Coldwell of Vancouver.

Mrs. Wm. Munsie is spending a few days in Vancouver.

Nicholles & Renouf desire to call attention to the fact that rumors have been circulated that it is their intention to vacate the premises occupied by them, and state that they have absolutely no foundation.

NEW POLICE AND LICENSE BOARDS

Ald. Goodacre and Mr G. Russell Renominated — Mr. Matson and Ald. Douglas.

Speculation as to the personnel of the police and licensing commissioners throughout the provincial cities will probably be ended today with the issue of an extra of the British Columbia Gazette containing the names of the entlemen invested with responsibilities on these important boards. It is improbable that there will be any change in the composition of Victoria's police commission, Ald. Goodacre and Mr. George Russell being reappointed to the board. The new license commissioners are understood to be Ald. James A. Douglas and Mr. J. S. H. Matson.

For New Westminster city the new police commissioners are likely to be Mr. T. S. Annandale and Ald. Jardine; while Mr. Percy S. Venables and Mr. J. Jacques will administer license affairs.

In Nelson city Mayor Houston will have as a colleague on the police and license commissions the gentleman whom he so recently defeated for the mayoralty—Dr. M. S. Rose, the other government appointee being Ald. Bird.

Rossland's new comissioners are Ald. Macdonald and Mr. W. B. Townsend (police), and Ald. Campbell and Mr. W. B. Townsend (license).

For Vancouver's police commission Ald. Bethune and Mr. David Malcolm are to be named, and for the license board, Messrs. Thomas Duke and C. H. Macaulay.

The appointments for Nanaimo will be determined today.

PERSONAL.

Ex-Mayor and Mrs. Bate of Nanaimo, after a few days' sojourn and renewing old acquaintances in Victoria, return to the Diamond City by today's train.

Miss M. Gallaway, one of Vancouver's most popular young ladies, who has been sojourning with her sister, Mrs. C. Quigley, of this city, for the past few weeks, returned to her home by Sunday night's steamer.

Mrs. A. C. Trainor came over from the Sound by the Princess Beatrice on Sunday evening.

Hon. R. F. Green returned Sunday evening from a flying visit to the Sound.

Miss Edith Bamford has returned from a short visit with Seattle friends.

E. B. Marsh, of Seattle, is visiting Victoria friends.

M. Gutmann, Mrs. M. Hyams and Mrs. R. Fleischman, of Seattle are visiting Victoria friends.

B. W. Thomson has returned from the Sound.

J. B. and Mrs. Jones arrived from the Mainland last evening on a visit to friends here.

J. B. Sylvester returned from the Mainland last evening.

E. P. Davis, K. C., is over from Vancouver on legal business.

C. Seton Thompson is paying the Capital a visit, having arrived over from Vancouver last evening.

Hon. R. G. Tatlow returned from Vancouver by last evening's Princess Victoria.

Captain Mellon, agent at Vancouver for the Bureau Veritas, came over last evening.

T. B. Tye returned from the Terminal City last evening.

J. A. Fulleron, ship's husband of the C. P. R., came over last evening to meet the incoming Empress of China.

Dr. R. W. Hanington is in Vancouver.

Presentation to Miss Hardie—The Chemainus general hospital was the scene of a pleasant gathering Saturday night last, it being the occasion of the graduation of Miss F. G. Hardie, who has been a probationer there for nearly three years. Miss Hardie passed most creditably before the Victoria doctors who undertook the examination. On behalf of the board of directors Capt. J. S. Gibson in a neat speech presented Miss Hardie with her diploma and a beautiful medal, and the directors as a mark of their esteem added a useful pocket case of surgical instruments. After the presentation and a suitable reply by Dr. Rogers on behalf of Miss Hardie, a very pleasant evening was spent by the visitors.

CHICAGO BLUEBEARD CAUGHT IN NEW YORK

Accused of Marrying a Score of Women and Making Away With Several.

New York, Jan. 30.—Johann Hoch, who is said to have married 20 women in Chicago, and who has been searched for throughout the United States and Canada, was arrested in a furnished room house at 546 West 47th street. The man gave the name of Henry Bartel, but the detectives say they are positive that he is Hoch. Mrs. Catherine Kimmerle, the landlady, says he engaged board on Saturday and had not been in the house twenty minutes when he asked to be allowed to peel some potatoes for her. To-day he proposed marriage and she then told the police.

Mrs. Kimmerle said the man talked a good deal to her yesterday and became much interested in her, she thought.

"He was so anxious to talk that I did not know what he was after," said Mrs. Kimmerle, "till all of a sudden he told me he wanted to marry me. I remembered reading in the papers about that awful man and it suddenly flashed across my mind that this man who wanted to peel potatoes after being twenty minutes in my house and wanted to marry me after knowing me a day or so, was the same man they wanted in Chicago, and I ran to the station house as quickly as I could."

Four detectives hurried to the house and waited for Hoch, who came in at 10 o'clock.

"Hello, Hoch," was Detective O'Neill's greeting. "How d'ye do," replied the man, and then quickly added: "My name ain't Hoch."

The prisoner made no resistance, and was taken to the West 47th street station, where he described himself as Henry Bartels, 45 years of age, of 546 west 47th street.

Everything the man had on him or in his possession was new. He had a new suit of clothes, six new handkerchiefs, one razor, a new trunk and other articles, all new. He also had six $100 bills and change in every pocket of his clothing.

In one pocket was a newspaper containing a record of Johann Hoch and a description of him.

The Chicago police were at once notified of the capture.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—The Chicago police were elated over the report that Johann Hoch had been arrested in New York. The only specific charges that they have against him at the present time are bigamy and wife abandonment. From all accounts Hoch has been married to 25 different women and six of these have died, it is said, under circumstances which the police declare to be suspicious. These women are: Mrs. Mary Schultz Hoch, disappeared from Argus, Ind., with Hoch in 1900; Mrs. Hoyle Hoch, died in Chicago, in 1892; Mrs. Mary Steinbrecher Hoch, died in Chicago in 1892; Mrs. Lena Hoch, died in Milwaukee in 1898. Mrs. Mary Beck Hoch, died in Milwaukee in 1898; Mrs. Mary Beck Hoch, died in St. Louis in 1892, Mrs. Marie Weilker Hoch, died in Chicago, Jan. 19, 1905.

In his room were found nearly a dozen new suits of clothing. In most cases the tags had been torn from them but those that had not showed that the garments had been bought in western cities, among them Chicago, Peoria and Seattle. In his hat were found slips from a Chicago paper dated October 4th. In New York Sergeant Fogarty went to the 47th street station with a telegram just received from Chicago, saying Hoch had often used the name "Henry Bartell." Fogarty took the man to headquarters and Hoch admitted that he was the husband of Marie Fischer. He also told the police that he was willing to go back to Chicago without extradition papers and that he had goods stored there worth $2,000. He said he had married but one woman more than Mary Fischer, but refused to give the woman's name. Fogarty read the Chicago circular sent out by the police to Hoch and said: "This circular charges you with the murder of Mary Fischer, whom you married in Chicago and who died suddenly on January 12. It says you had other wives living when you married her and that you are guilty of bigamy."

"I married her," replied Hoch, "but I had nothing to do with her death. I only had one other wife living."

A revolver was found on Hoch when searched.

ONE BOX OF DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED DROPSY.

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SPORTING NEWS

HOCKEY.

After a fierce, rough and tumble scramble, in which very little hockey was played, the Nanaimo hockey team, playing one man more than the home team, defeated the Ladysmith players by a score of 6-1 Monday night. McKinnon scored the majority of the goals for the visitors. Steele played a good game at full back and was equally as good when he came upon the forward line. For the Ladysmith team, G. Killespie in goal and J. Crossan at half played splendidly. Winsby, Frost, Ward, and Adam also played hard and well, as did Machin at full back, but the rough character of the game made scientific hockey an impossibility. The score at half time was 3-1 in favor of the visitors. Three of the heaviest men on the home team refused to play just at the last minute, and they were considerably weakened thereby. The playing was marred by a number of fights. The largest number of people that has been on the Bunker grounds for a long time witnessed the game yesterday. The day was an ideal one for any winter game, but the field was rather rough. The visitors brought down a large number of supporters to cheer them on, and when the evening train arrived from Victoria with the victorious Nanaimo girls, a scene of jubilation ensued. The Nanaimo Hockey Club by winning yesterday's game against Ldaysmith, now have the magnificent record of four victories and one draw, the victories being all the more creditable as they were over scratch teams from Ladysmith and two local teams.

HANDBALL.

Victory for Hunter and Leeming.

J. Hunter and J. Leeming defeated A. Belyea and J. Finlaison in the week-end game at the J. B. A. A., with a score of 18-21, 21-14, 21-4. In the first set Belyea and Finlaison took the lead and made five points. Hunter and Leeming then evened matters, and the score was again tied at 11 points. Neither team could gain any material advantage until the score was 17 all. After that Belyea and Finlaison made a big effort, and won the set. In the second test Belyea made three points with his first service. Hunter retaliated by making two. The score was even at four points. Hard play then ensued, and Hunter and Leeming rushed the tally to 12-4. After that there were several fierce rallies. Hunter and Leeming had the best of them and won with seven points to spare. The last set was a runaway for Hunter and Leeming. Hunter is now in splendid form and has his returns well judged. His service was also good. On one occasion he made eight straight points. Leeming was in fairly good form, but Belyea and Finlaison displayed very poor team work.

BILLIARDS.

Perry Won.

B. J. Perry (scratch) defeated H. Walton (scratch) with a score of 300 points to 253, in the Drlard tournament last night. The game was a good one, but Perry's splendid all round play proved too much for Walton.

BASKETBALL.

Honors Even.

The basketball matches in the Victoria West Athletic Club last night resulted in an even break. The Y. M. C. A. won the intermediate game with 12 points to 9, but Victoria West gained an easy victory in the junior contest, the score being 34 points to 4. Tom Crocker made a very satisfactory referee. Appended is the league standing:

Intermediate.

	Won.	Lost.	Pts.
Cloverdale	8	0	16
Victoria West	4	4	8
J. B. A. A.	3	5	6
N. 5 Co.	2	3	4
Fernwoods	2	4	4
Y. M. C. A.	2	4	4

Junior.

	Won.	Lost.	Pts.
Victoria West	7	1	14
J. B. A. A.	6	2	12
Y. M. C. A.	2	4	4
Fernwoods	2	3	4
Cloverdale	2	5	4
No. 5 Co.	0	5	0

THE RING.

O'Brien vs. Clark.

A 15-round boxing contest has been arranged between J. O'Brien of California and Bert Clark of Denver, to take place at the Edison theatre on Thursday, February 9; the men will enter the ring at 135 or 138 pounds. It was intended to put on the bout at the Victoria theatre, but satisfactory arrangements could not be made. O'Brien arrived from the Sound by the Princess Beatrice on Sunday afternoon. He was accompanied by his sparring partner, O'Connor. They will commence work at once, and as O'Brien is a rushing fighter, and Clark a scientific man with a hard punch, a splendid contest is assured. Clark is already in good trim, his long walks enabling him to cultivate staying power.

Exhibition Off.

The 4-round boxing exhibition which was to have been given at the close of this week's performance at the Savoy, has been declared off.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

High School vs. Collegiate.

The second match in the school Rugby league will be played at Beacon Hill tomorrow afternoon, between the High school and Collegiate teams, commencing at 3:30.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

WALKER—At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 29th instant, Mr. Francis Walker, a native of Yorkshire, England, aged 72 years.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday, February 1, at 2:30 p. m. from Hayward's undertaking parlors, 52 Government street.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

ROGERS—In Victoria, B. C., on the 29th day of January, Frederick Morrison, the dearly beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rogers, of No. 42 Kingston street, James Bay.

The funeral will take place on Thursday at 2 o'clock p. m., from the residence as above.

Friends please accept this intimation.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

TO RENT—On Frederick street, new cottage, all modern conveniences. Apply 8 St. Louis street. ja31

FOR SALE—Farms, large and small, on all parts of the Island and Mainland. For particulars see E. A. Harris & Co. ja31

FOR SALE—A lady's bicycle in good condition (Massey-Harris), $20. 82 Yates street. ja31

STRAYED—A small Jersey cow. Reward. E. A. Eagel, B. C. E. Ry. ja31

LOST—On Friday last, a small bunch of keys, with owner's name on label attached. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning the same to this office. ja31

WANTED—To borrow $1,500 on first-class real estate security; will give 6 per cent. Address Box 162 Colonist office. ja31

WANTED—Situation by Japanese boy for housework in city. 40 Kane street. ja31

FOUND—Cadboro bay, on hill near Bishop and Elorkl, about last Thursday, a seal neck fur. Apply Colonist. ja31

WANTED—A boy to drive and milk. Apply Bride, Lamson street, Esquimalt road. ja31

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A Short Session Of City Council

Nothing of Particular Civic Importance Eventuated at Last Night's Meeting.

Motion to Bring up Songhees Reserve Matter—More Shacks Condemned.

Yesterday evening's meeting of the City Council was a short one, little beyond routine business being transacted. Ald. Hanna's motion asking the Dominion and provincial governments to move in the matter of dispossessing the Indians on the Songhees' reserve of their holdings, as suggested by the mayor at the public meeting a few days ago, was passed, almost without debate. A considerable portion of the time occupied by the meeting was ceasumed in dealing with tenders for brick, fish, carbons, cordwood and other municipal supplies for the year. The various tenders were finally referred to the purchasing agent and committee with instructions to award contracts to the lowest tenderers after investigation.

The secretary of the British Columbia Agricultural Association asked that the nominees of the council on that board be named. On motion, it was decided to reappoint Ald. Fell and Mr. H. B. Thomson.

J. T. Lawrie asked for the position as caretaker of the library. Tabled.

Applications for old library books for use in the public schools were also laid on the table.

A resolution was read from the city of Fernie respecting telephone regulations in municipalities. Referred to legislative committee.

R. Chapman wrote saying that a milk ranch had recently been established near his residence at Oaklands, which was likely to become a nuisance. Referred to the sanitary officer.

The city clerk reported having referred a number of communications on minor subjects to the city engineer for report. Received and filed.

The city engineer asked that an old surface drain on King's road be attended to at a cost of $200. Action approved.

The sanitary and building inspectors presented the following report:

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 30, 1905.

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen,—We would respectfully report on the condition of the following buildings: First: A shed at the rear of lot No. 107, block 3, and facing Blanchard street, assessed in the name of Mr. George Stelly.

Second: Shed and barn on the rear end of lot 108, block 3, facing Johnson street, also a large shed on the rear of lot 30, block 3, facing Johnson street. These two lots are assessed in the name of Mr. S. T. Styles.

Third: Three old one-storey buildings on the rear of lot 572, block 3, facing Yates street; assessed in the name of Mr. R. Hall.

Fourth: Two 2-storey frame buildings, with sheds and outhouses in the rear, on parts of lots 422 and 423, block 2, facing Broad street; assessed in the name of Mrs. Raser Estate and Messrs. Heisterman & Co., as agents.

Fifth: 1½ storey frame building on the south part of lot 658, block U, facing Broad street and assessed in the name of the Metropolitan Estate Co., Messrs. Lee & Fraser, agents.

All of the above being in the fire limits.

Sixth: An old 1-storey frame building on lot 13, block 2, Christ Church Trust, and facing Victoria Crescent. Assessed in the name of J. B. Johnson, and Messrs. Pemberton & Sons as agents.

Seventh: A row of old cabins on lot 16 of section 5, and facing the Burnside road; assessed in the name of Messrs. Coughlan & Mason. Messrs. Bridgman as agents.

These two properties being outside the fire limits.

All of the above mentioned buildings are in such a dilapidated and unsanitary condition that they have become a nuisance and in our opinion they fally come under section 60 of the Municipal Clauses Act and should be removed.

JAMES WILSON,
Sanitary Inspector
WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Building Inspector.

The report was adopted, the owners of the buildings to be notified of the council's action.

George Glover and others, of Fourth street, asked for repairs to alley connecting this street and King's road. Referred to the engineer for report.

A. R. Sherk and others employed on sewer work asked that work on the septic tank in Victoria West be started at once, so as to give them employment. Referred to streets committee.

Residents of St. Louis street urged that that thoroughfare be macadamized. Referred to the engineer for report.

Tenders for groceries, cordwood and other supplies were received and referred to the purchasing agent.

The cemetery committee also recommend the city engineer be asked to prepare a report on the best method of saving the bank on the shore front from falling in the sea. Received and adopted.

The cemetery committee also recommended that pauper Indians be given free interment.

Several aldermen objected to this, claiming there were no pauper Indians—they were all wards of the government. This was referred back to the committee.

The home committee recommended the admission to the home of Joseph Bailey. Adopted.

The finance committee recommended the payment of accounts amounting to $1,466.58. Adopted.

Ald. Hanna then presented his resolution to the effect that the Dominion government be petitioned to move for the dispossession of the Indians on the Songhees' reserve.

Ald. Hall did not think the government would ever move without the consent of the Indians.

Ald. Fell held that if the Indians were all to consent the matter would not be settled—all the parties would have to act jointly to one purpose.

The motion carried.

After the transaction of some further small business the council adjourned.

What Some People Say

That low-cut gowns are apt to produce pneumonia among the ladies, and low-cut wages have the same effect upon men.

That Rojestvensky has possibly made land without going through the formality of entering harbor.

That most people are prepared at all times to recognize the will power of a rich relative.

That the next social event will be the opening of the British Columbia zemstov on Thursday week.

That Kuropatkin has at last shown himself a good general—by advising peace.

That skating time has come again.

That Russian printers have good cause to strike at any time—witness the names they have to set up.

That the Chinese are preparing to show that they still have money to burn.

FINANCES OF SAILORS AND SOLDIERS' HOME

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the Worthy Institution.

The Colonist has been asked by the committee of management of the Sailors and Soldiers' Home, Esquimalt, to publish the following financial statements. We do so with pleasure, believing the public will be gratified at the position the figures disclose.

Notwithstanding the removal of the cruisers Grafton and Flora, closely following the prolonged absence of the squadron from the harbor last summer, the home has practically paid its way since the opening in May last to the end of the year. During that time about 5,000 calls were made for refreshments; 1,323 beds were taken and nearly 200 baths; and the interest in the place on the part of the men of His Majesty's forces has steadily increased.

In consequence of the reduction of the naval station, however, the management are now becoming anxious concerning the outlook. When H. M. S. Bonaventure is withdrawn in March it is feared the patronage will be insufficient to meet the expenses, and at least a temporary closing of the home may become necessary.

For obvious reasons the committee of management would much regret this. The institution ought to be kept open if only in a partial way for the sake of the land forces and the two ships remaining. By opening the building only during the men's hours of leave the working expenses wou'd be greatly reduced. It is felt that this certainly would be possible if in the meantime the liabilities, which in the two accounts amount to a total of $1,092, could be removed.

No one doubts that the future will find full usefulness for the home, if not for English sailors, then for Canadian; but probably both, as well as for men of the merchant marine, and the removal of the debt at this juncture would relieve the minds of those who have worked so hard for the home's establishment. Subscriptions may be sent to any of the committee, whose names follow the financial statements, which are here appended:

THE SAILORS AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

Property and Building Account from Inception to 31st December 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Donations, subscriptions and collections	$ 6,177 72
Provincial government grant	1,000 00
Interest from Savings Bank	16 65
Bank of Montreal, temporary loans	2,750 00
Imperial Bank, temporary loans	300 00
Private loans	1,032 00
	$11,276 37

EXPENDITURE.

Building site (land)	$ 1,000 00
Clearing land	85 00
Buildings (cost)	5,352 35
Furniture, beds, etc	565 82
Architect's fees, paid on account	50 00
Fire insurance, premiums	68 75
Repairs, cleaning, etc.	36 10
Water and light	24 24
Sundry expenses, including chaplain's traveling expenses to and from England ($375)	741 22
Bank of Montreal, loans repaid	2,750 00
Bank of Montreal, for interest thereon	21 75
Imperial Bank, loan repaid	300 00
Imperial Bank, for interest thereon	12 35
Private loans repaid	232 00
Interest for 6 months paid on $400	14 00
	$11,253 58
Balance in hand	22 79
	$11,276 37

Memo—Outstanding liabilities:

Private loans	$800 00
Architect, balance	125 00
	$925 00

This is so far as I can ascertain.

Having carefully examined the books and vouchers produced to me, together with other evidence relative to sundry items, I hereby certify that the foregoing statement fairly discloses the doings and position of the Sailors and Soldiers' Home to 31st December, 1904.

Jos. PEIRSON,
Auditor.

Victoria, B. C., January 28th, 1905.

In connection with the current account here following, it should be said that when the home had been opened, as is usual in such cases, it was discovered that sundry articles were needed, especially for the kitchen, which had not been previously thought of. These were charged to the current account, and made the total expenditure during the period appear larger than would be the case under ordinary circumstances.

THE SAILORS AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

Current Accounts, from May 9 to December 31, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Summary of receipts from all sources	$772 10
Balance, debtor	112 40
	$884 50

EXPENDITURE.

Summary of expenditures in the general working	$884 50
	$884 50

The above summary of receipts and expenditures in the working of the institution from 9th of May to the 31st of December, 1904, shows an overdraft of $112.40, and there are outstanding accounts amounting to $55.20, but I may mention that the receipts for the month of January are about equal to this indebtedness, thus suggesting that the institution is about one month in arrears of the income.

JOS. PEIRSON,
Auditor.

Victoria, B. C., January 28, 1905.

Names of committee of management: Mr. Arthur Lee, Victoria; Dr. Lewis Hall, Victoria; Mr. W. T. Andrews, Victoria; Commander H. Sandeman, R. N., H. M. S. Bonaventure; Commander H. Hunt, R. N., H. M. S. Shearwater; Lieut. V. Brandon, R. N., H. M. S. Egeria; Capt. Watts, A. O. D., Esquimalt; John McLeod, R. N. (secretary), H. M. S. Naval Yard; Mr. Leonard Tait (treasurer), Victoria West; Rev. J. P. Hicks (chairman), Beaumont P. O., Esquimalt.

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OBITUARY

Word has been received by Mr. James Scott of this city of the death of his aunt, Mrs. Murdoch, at her home in Fraserburgh, Scotland, at the age of one hundred and two. The deceased lady has a surviving brother, Mr. Alexander MacDonald Scott, father of Mr. Scott, of this city, now living at London, Ont., and hale and hearty at 96; also a sister, Mrs. Milne, of Peterboro, Ont.

The funeral of the late Miss Amelie Gustin took place yesterday afternoon at 2:15 p. m. from Hayward's undertaking parlors and from the Roman Catholic cathedral at 2:30, where service was conducted by Rev. Father Fisser, who also officiated at the grave.

The funeral of the daughter of Mr. McGregor, of Milne street, took place Sunday afternoon from St. Barnabas church. Rev. E. G. Miller conducted the services. A large number attended.

Welcome Meeting—The Salvation Army will hold a welcome meeting to Adjutant and Mrs. Nelson and Capt. Lemis at the army barracks, Broad street, on Thursday, Feb. 2. Adjutant and Mrs. Nelson are both musical and they are coming to Victoria to do their best for the salvation of men and women and to extend the cause. Captains Jones and Knudson are going to Rossland to take up the work there.

Some Rivalry—It is understood some rivalry exists between the civic authorities and the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis respecting the control of the marine hospital at Esquimalt. The latter organization thinks the marine hospital would make a splendid home for the treatment of consumptives and will make strenuous efforts to secure the same. The city is equally desirous of securing the property, but as the citizens have already voted $12,000 towards securing a new site, the chances seem to be in favor of the Tuberculosis Association.

A LITTLE PEEP AT ASSIZE COUT

Impressions of an Onlooker at Progress of Chinese Murder Trial.

Very little public attention is being paid to the Chinese murder trial now proceeding in the special assize court before Mr. Justice Martin and a jury, yet it contains elements of a fascinating character to one interested in observing a unique phase of life on the Pacific coast.

Within the interior of a sombre-hued building on Bastion square yesterday afternoon a scene was enacted which if produced on the theatrical stage would attract hundreds. To the curious one who dropped in for a moment this is what he saw: A bewigged judge in robes of ermine; a tired jury on the left, wearied with the argument of counsel and the slow processes of law; in the forefront, two benches lined with bewigged counsel, consulting a great array of books and legal documents.

Enters Ging Suie, a Chinaman, a witness.

On the registrar asking the interpreter how he shall be sworn, there is an exchange of verbal pyrotechnics between the interpreter and the witness.

"He will swear by paper," says the interpreter.

The registrar then seeks in his vest pocket for a match, which he lights in the usual fashion, and hands to the witness, who in the interim has with pen and ink provided by counsel, scrawled his name on a piece of paper.

Touching the match to the paper, the latter is consumed and dropped in ashes on the floor.

"Sworn," says the interpreter—and the scene is over.

Then the witness is ready for examination.

Speaking to interpreter—a sleek, well-dressed individual who is evidently not new to the business—counsel says:

"Does he remember the Mah Quan murder incident?"

"Mah lose yo wh—qual li gi lie?" repeats the interpreter.

"Ah soe lie," answers witness—and thus the trial proceeds—nothing new to it but a repetition of evidence given at a former hearing.

But it's funny. Up in the gallery, in full view of the frowning judge, are fifty or more joss-stick-flavored Chinamen, drinking in with eager ear every word of the witnesses.

In the prisoners' box the two men charged with the crime sit like statues—absolutely motionless, an occasional blink of the owl-like eyes being the only evident sign of consciousness. A few by-standers in the rear—a wearied provincial policeman—a jury in a maze of perplexity—voluble counsel—and the sun streaming in from the western windows—this the scene each afternoon.

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NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Jan. 30.—There was great variety in today's stock market with large dealings and with wide and constant fluctuations. The net changes do not in any degree correspond with the wide movements of the day. The mainspring of the speculation was the action of the Supreme Court on the Northern Securities case. The movement of the stocks today seemed to demonstrate by their final action that their advance had not been influenced by consideration of a decision in the Northern Securities case. But it was also shown that there had been a large speculation foreign to this stock which supposed that this was the influence that moved them. Thus there was heavy unloading when it became known that the action of the Supreme Court would have the effect of continuing the injunction under which the Northern Securities Company is tied up. That after itself fell back early 8 points on the curb, and Union Pacific, Southern Pacific and St. Paul were acutely affected on the exchange. The determined action of Union Pacific at the lower levels and its vigorous movements upwards again pointed to other causes for the advance and the mysterious power of the railroad. "Deal" again asserted itself on the speculative temper. Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, St. Paul, Chicago & Northwestern and allied stocks, Erie, New York Central, and Junior Vanderbilts and Kansas City Southern were all influenced immediately by the deal. Disclaimer of the Deal stories said to be with officials' sanction, but anonymously reported, had no effect no the speculative excitement. Outside of this influence there were no clearly defined factors in the market. There were some disposition to attribute the strong recovery to the retreat of the bear interest, which had made demonstrative threats against the market for some time past.

The special strength of Amalgamated Copper was attributed to this cause. Except for the Harrimans and Vanderbilts there were not many stocks that recovered to above Saturday, and the closing was steady and not very far from Saturday's level. Bonds continued to be well absorbed both on the stock exchange and over the country, but depression of some of the speculative issues made the movement irregular. Total sales at par value, $7,475,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

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New York, Jan. 30.—Amal Copper 72¾; Ann Loco 35; pfd 110¾; Ann Sugar 131¾; Ann Smelting 85¾; Ann Car Fdy 33¼; Anaconda 100; A T & S F 87¾; pfd 100¾; B & O 101¾; B R T 60¾; C & A 43¾; C P R 133¾; C S 71¾; C & O 49¾; C N W 244½; C M & St P 176⅝; Col Sou 25 1-4; pfd 62¾; Cons Gas N Y 203; C F & I 47¼; Corn Prods 20¼; Det Ry 77; D & H 183¾; D & R G pfd 86¼; D S S & A pfd 36¾; Gen Elec 185½; Jersey Cent 196¼; Iowa Cent 29¾; Kas & Tex 31½; pfd 65⅝; L & N 136¾; Man Elev 170½; Mo Pac 103¾; M St P & S Ste M 98; pfd 157; Met St Ry 115¾; N Y C & H 147; Erie 44; 1st pfd 82¾; 2nd pfd 66½; N Y O & W 44¼; Northern Securities 150¾; Nor & West 78¾; Penna 137½; Pressed Steel 37¼; Peo Gas 106¾; P & R xd 87⅝; 1st pfd 97; R I C 35¾; Sou Ry 34¼; pfd 97⅝; Sou Pac 67; T C & I 71¾; Tex Pac 34½; T C 108; U S L 13¼; pfd 65⅝; U S S 30¾; pfd 94¾; U S R 36⅞; pfd 100¾; U P 123½; Wabash 22; pfd 43¾; W U 92½; Wisconsin Cent 22; pfd 45¼; C P R in London 136¾; Mackay 38 and 37 1-4; pfd 74 and 73½.

MONEY MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 30.—Prime mercantile paper 3 1-3 to 4¼. Sterling Exchange easier, closed firmer at $4.87.80 to $4.87.85 for demand, and at $4.85.50 to .55 for sixty day bills. Posted rates $4.86 to $4.86¼. Commercial bills $4.85¾. Bar silver 61. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds firm.

London, Jan. 30.—Consols for money 88 1-16; for account 88 16-16.

METAL MARKETS.

London, Jan. 30.—Lead £12 15s. New York $4.45.

PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Princess Victoria from Vancouver, Monday: L. Kenton and wife, J. B. Jones and wife, L. B. Joseph, A. D. Cleveland, G. H. Walker, G. A. Thomson, Chas. King, Mrs. King, Miss Young, J. B. Sylvester, J. E. Konick, R. Graham, E. G. Parnell, J. J. Thompson, C. Seton Thomson, E. P. Davis, W. F. Irwin, Mrs. Irwin, Miss McDonald, R. Hodey, J. E. McBain, R. E. Goss, Mr. Parkes, J. J. Dougan, R. G. Tatlow, Capt. Melion, R. Moster, T. B. Tye, Mrs. Vigor, Mrs. Stone, W. R. Thomson, R. L. Dodd, O. Welmesster, T. O. Lealand, Mrs. Lealand, G. Parthenit, D. H. Watson, J. E. Sampson, Mrs. Sampson, Mr. and Mrs. Peck, Mrs. McLean, H. P. Ross, Mrs. Ross, D. Clark, A. Stark, Mrs. Stark, A. S. Theberge, G. A. Williams, J. A. Fullerton.

Passengers per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle, Sunday: Mrs. A. C. Talnor, W. M. Langley, R. Thompson, Miss E. Ross, P. Vlugt, Capt. H. Smith, Edith H. Bamfod, E. B. Marsh, D. Gardner, Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Hyams, Mrs. R. Flesham, M. Gutman, W. Treu, Mrs. F. L. Henry, Thos. Briscoe, A. T. Fife, Paddy O'Connor, J. H. O'Brien, A. F. Powell, R. P. Hayes, H. McCormick, B. W. Thompson, W. McLeod, P. Moth, H. J. Cress, Mrs. Cress, J. Carter, C. D. Neurotsis, S. G. Henderson, Mrs. J. Ogden, A. L. Weaver, G W. Sallaway, Mrs. Sallaway, E. Thurston, J. C. Taylor, R. F. Green.

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AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after such date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and will not be liable for such assets to any person or persons of whose claims they shall not have received notice at the time of such distribution.

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The 6,000 preference shares are offered for public subscription. Provision is made in the Memorandum of Association of the Company entitling the holders of these shares to a six per cent. (6 p. c.) preferential dividend, and providing that the preferential rights attached to these shares shall not be prejudiced by any subsequent act of the Company in reference to its capital stock.

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Crusade Against The White Plague

Anti-Tuberculosis Society Advances Business at Meeting Yesterday.

Young People's Dance for the Cause—Want the Naval Hospital.

Very encouraging reports were heard in reference to the movement for the treatment of tuberculosis at a meeting of the society having the matter in hand yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, the president, occupying the chair. It was resolved, on motion of Dr Fagan, seconded by Rev. A. Ewing, that the ministers of the various churches be asked to set apart a certain Sunday be in the interests of the cause.

Rev. Mr. Ewing in this connection, said that he would be pleased to bring the matter to the attention of the Ministerial Association, which meets on Monday next. He remarked that a special Sunday was given for collections in aid of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and he did not see why the same recognition should not be given to this more urgent case. In regard to the crusade against tuberculosis, the crusaders had ignorance to overcome, the speaker pointing out that one death in every eight occurring in Victoria last year was due to consumption. He thought the people should be aroused to a sense of their responsibility in this regard, and suggested that the churches might be supplied with envelopes for contributions to the fund.

It was resolved, upon suggestion of the president, that all in attendance who were not present at the meeting when the society was organized, should be enrolled as members. In this connection Dr. Fagan wished it to be understood that the organization was not for ladies only. The co-operation of everybody was invited.

Dr. Fagan took occasion to comment upon the general misconception in regard to consumption. The idea was prevalent that it was a hereditary disease; in fact he himself was marked as a probable victim, in his youth, for this reason. It was known to the medical world today that consumption was not hereditary. It was contracted. It was given to the healthy by the sick, and could be avoided when people were educated to know how to protect themselves. It was a duty to see that people were enlightened, and he suggested that the society should arrange for a course of public lectures to be given on the subject during the year, either in the schools or in a public hall. He moved that a committee be appointed to consider this suggestion and report. The motion passed.

It was resolved, upon motion of the president, seconded by Dr. Fagan, that the City Council should be asked to enforce the bylaw against expectorating on the public streets.

It was resolved that meetings of the society shall be called once a month, every second Monday at 4 o'clock.

The financial statement of results from the recent concert in aid of the hospital fund, was read by the treasurer, Mrs. Barnes. It showed receipts of $512.85, expenditures $102; balance to the good, $410.85.

A cordial vote of thanks was passed to the ladies who organized the concert and made it a success.

Dr. Fagan said it had been suggested that everybody was not quite clear as to the objects of the society. He remarked that consumptives were practically outcasts. They were refused admission at hotels and the ordinary hospitals did not want to receive them. There was no place where they could receive treatment and attention. They were almost as much ostracized as the lepers. As an official he had felt that he would be remiss in his duty if he did not do what he could to bring the matter to the attention of the public. Before they could satisfactorily seek the support of the moneyed men he had concluded that they must have the support of the public to show that the movement was bona fides, when they might also look for a grant from the government. In Victoria they had already collected about $300. This meant $300 a year for ten years. The King's Daughters had voted $250 to the fund, and a society of ladies, called the Emergency Club, had got up a sale of needlework in its aid, which netted $132. The Trades and Labor Council had voted $5 as an annual subscription. The Ladies' Aid of the Centennial Methodist church and subscribed $10. In all they had collected, to date, the sum of $1,157 and this within the last couple of months. A canvass would be made of the whole Province, and they expected to get a large amount. Lord Strathcona and the president of the C. P. R. had promised to subscribe when the scheme had advanced beyond the realms of speculation, so that the prospects for success were very bright indeed.

Dr. Fagan referred to an article in a recent magazine in which tuberculosis was spoken of as race suicide. As it was a disease that could be prevented, he thought the term was not out of place. In referring to a number of cases illustrating the hopeless position of the tuberculosis sufferer under existing conditions, he specifically mentioned the case of Neil Grant, the orphan boy, now an unwelcome patient at the hospital, for whom, he thought, something should be done.

A committee consisting of Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Simpson and Dr. Fagan was appointed to enquire into young Grant's case and see what can be accomplished.

An offer was received and accepted from Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Dickenson to give a dance for young people and children on February 24 in aid of the hospital fund. It was agreed that prices should be fixed at fifty cents for children and $1.00 for young people.

The meeting then adjourned.

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MONUMENT TO INDIAN WOMEN.

Kansas City Journal.

There is a move on foot among the Master Masons of Indian Territory to provide a monument fund for Mrs. Eliza Alberty, a Cherokee widow of a Master Mason. It is said this woman has cared for and reared twenty-one orphan children. Judge Henry M. Furman, of Ardmore, one of the most prominent Master Masons in the Territory, in an address recently eulogized this woman by saying: "Brethren, while we have been professing Masonry, this woman has been living Masonry."

HE INHERITED THE FAULT.

Vincent was altogether too garrulous in school to please his teachers. Such punishment as the institution allowed to be meted out were tried without any apparent effect upon the boy, until at last the head master decided to mention the lad's fault upon his month's report.

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Along The Waterfront

Empress of China Due Today Pleiades Will Take Lead For Bullets.

Derelict Schooner Found Near Gulf Islands—Blockade-runner Leaves.

Steamer Empress of China is due today from the Orient. The steamer Shinano Maru is also on the way and will probably arrive tomorrow or on Thursday. The Pleiades will sail for the Far East on Monday next. The steamer will carry a heavy consignment of lead, which it is believed will be molded into bullets with which to shoot Russians. There are 10,902 pigs of this lead. Each bar is stamped with a rising sun. The shipment came north on the Pacific Coast Co.'s collier which arrived several days ago from San Francisco. The lead is consigned to Kobe, near where are located the arsenal and other military works of the Japanese. The Pleiades takes as much freight as she can carry, her heavier shipments, aside from lead, being of flour, canned meats, cotton, structural steel, hardware, etc.

STEAMER BOSCOWITZ SOLD.

Vancouver Man Purchased Well Known Craft Recently Wrecked.

The well known steamer Barbara Boscowitz, formerly owned by the Boscowitz Steamship Co., but recently purchased by Bullen Bros. & Co., proprietors of the marine railway, has been sold to Mr. J. S. Emerson of Vancouver. Some three months ago the Barbara Boscowitz was wrecked at Parsons bay, Harbledown island, near Alert bay. The vessel was thought to be a total wreck at the time, but after inspecting the hull as it lay on the rocks, Bullen Bros. bought it from the board of marine underwriters for $300. The steamer was patched, and with the aid of the wrecking plant owned by the firm, was towed down to Victoria, where she was placed on the ways at the marine railway. Several offers were made at various times since then for the vessel, but none were considered until Saturday, when Mr. F. C. Bullen went over from the capital to Vancouver to complete the details of the purchase. The price which Mr. Emerson paid for the steamer is understood to be $5,000.

DERELICT FOUND.

Unidentified Schooner Picked up Among Gulf Islands.

The United States revenue cutter Arcata, in a trip among the islands on Friday afternoon, found a deserted and dismasted schooner in the Strait of Rosario, about a mile off Bird Rock. The mainmast was broken off even with the deck and the foremast had floated out. The rudder was gone and the vessel was badly shaken up as a result of the buffeting it had received from wind and wave.

The Arcata towed the craft to Friday Harbor, where it was tied up. The schooner is about 26 feet long and looks as if it would measure about the five-ton mark, but it was under this, as no number or marks of any kind designated the owner or whence it hailed.

Lieut. Hamlet was unable to find anything by which to identify the vessel. It is possible that the little craft was out with a party in the storm of last Tuesday night and that all aboard were lost. The ballast was in the schooner and the breaking of the mainmast at the deck would indicate that the sail was in use at the time that the mast was broken.

ANOTHER BLOCKADE-RUNNER.

Melville Dollar Passed Out Yesterday With Contraband for Vladivostock.

Steamer Melville Dollar, a sister ship of the seized M. S. Dollar, passed out yesterday after loading bunker coal at Comox, en route to Shanghai. The Melville Dollar is also loaded with oats and other feed supplies for the Russians at Vladivostock, and is cleared for Shanghai. Whether she will have better luck than the M. S. Dollar in eluding the blockading Japanese warships remains to be seen. Those interested in the steamers Tacoma and Wyefield, which took contraband for Vladivostock and cleared for Shanghai, are looking for news from the steamers. Both have been out for 24 days. The M. S. Dollar, which was seized off Hokkaido, has been sent to Sasebo, the Japanese naval station in southern Japan, with a prize crew on board. There is a prize court there and the steamer will probably be condemned.

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Collier Edith Involved in Action Over Collision With Aorangi.

Nanaimo, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—The American collier Edith arrived from San Francisco this afternoon for a cargo of coal, and was at once boarded by Hinkson Siddall, marshal of the British Columbia admiralty court, who libelled her for $5,000 on behalf of the owners of the Canadian-Australian liner Aorangi as an outcome of the collision with the Edith at Union Bay on December 27, by which the Aorangi had a portion of her bow torn away. The Edith will put up bonds and sail as soon as loaded.

LUMBER SHIPPING ACTIVE.

Snow and Burgess Makes Fast Passage—Great Admiral Loads at Tacoma.

The American five-masted schooner Snow and Burgess arrived in Everett yesterday after a smart passage from San Pedro, and will load return cargo of 1,300,000 feet at the Clark-Nickerson mill. The Burgess is one of the largest vessels of her class on the coast, and has an excellent record for fast passages under command of her capable skipper, Capt. A. H. Sorensen. She loaded lumber cargo at Everett for San Pedro last November, sailing December 1, and has discharged at her destination and is already back for another load. The French bark Col. de Villebois-Mareuil, Capt. Quiemper, will sail from Seattle today for New Caledonia, clearing for Noumea, where she expects to receive her loading orders. She arrived last December from Antwerp with full cargo of cement for Balfour, Guthrie & Co., all of which was discharged at Seattle. The American ship Great Admiral, Capt. E. R. Sterling, arrived at Tacoma yesterday from Winslow to load cargo of lumber from the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber Co. for South Africa, having been chartered for that voyage by Balfour, Guthrie & Co.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Amur, Capt. McCoskrie, reached port yesterday from Skagway and Port Simpson. She had a small complement of passengers.

Schooner David Evans, bound from Everett for San Diego with a cargo of piles and lumber, went ashore about half a mile west of Point No Point on Sunday afternoon. It is expected that tugs will be able to pull her off.

Steamer Edith passed out yesterday, coal laden, for San Francisco.

Steamer Titania also sailed for San Francisco with coal.

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WAITER VICTIM OF MURDEROUS ATTACK

Charles Goodenough Slashed on Head With Knife by a Chinese.

A murderous attack was yesterday made upon Charles Goodenough, well known in hotel, club, restaurant and sporting circles, and for some time past employed at the New England hotel, his assailant being a Chinese domestic known as Sing, who at the time was in the kitchen. The victim of the affair is now at St. Joseph's hospital, with a severe scalp wound, from which happily it is expected that he will recover unless untoward complications present themselves. The Chinaman quietly slipped away in the confusion of the moment and is now being searched for by the police.

It appears that the waiter had gone into the kitchen in the usual course of his work. He had left an order for a customer, and expected it to be ready. The Chinese, who was helping the cook—he is usually employed upstairs—had misunderstood the order. Words ensued, and what followed is not clear. Those in the restaurant heard a scuffle, a shout, and on hurrying into the kitchen, Mr. Young found Goodenough holding the Chinaman tight to prevent his using his arms, with blood streaming from his head. There was blood on the Chinese also—presumably from his victim. He stood by until Mr. and Mrs. Young sought to bathe the waiter's wound and was then ordered downstairs. He dashed from the building—and the police are now seeking him. It is not thought that he can escape.

The wound was evidently caused by a large knife, a carver or cleaver, with which the Chinese struck the waiter on the top of the head, presumably as he was leaving the kitchen which opens behind a screen into the main dining-room.

Goodenough was helped to a hack and taken to St. Joseph's hospital, Dr. R. L. Fraser being summoned to attend him. It was thought at first that he would not recover and Chief Langley and Magistrate Hall went to the hospital to secure a statement from him. His skull was believed to have been fractured. It was shown by Dr. Fraser's examinations at the hospital, however, that the skull was not fractured, and although the wound is a grievous one, he will probably recover at no distant date.

Goodenough is about thirty years of age, and is very popular. He has been in Victoria for seven years, having been employed for a considerable time ere taking his present position at the Poodle Dog restaurant, and prior to that as a club steward and hotel manager. He is a football enthusiast being a valued member of the British Columbia Football Association. The assailant, Ling, is hiding in Chinatown, but the police have a good description of the man, and he will probably be apprehended ere long.

LUMBER TEAMSTERS STRIKE.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Nine hundred lumber teams employed by the big lumber yards of Chicago decided last night to go on strike because the employers refused to grant a demand for an increase in wages of fifty cents a day. Over one hundred firms, members of the Lumbermen's Association, will be affected by the strike.

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WANTED SMILES WRITTEN DOWN

Attorney Asks Stenographer to Note They Quarreled With Beaming Faces

"When you call me that—smile," hissed the Virginian as Trampas was about to hand him out a fighting word.

"I would like the record to show that our remarks were made with smiles and good nature," said Attorney Wheeler at the end of a round of left-handed compliments in the hearing of the Dunsmuir case yesterday, says the San Francisco Chronicle of January 28.

The sweet bells were first jangled out of tune when Bodwell, on behalf of Edna Wallace Hopper, besought Expert Dwyer to cut short his hairspun definition of the word "intention."

"I interrupt you intentionally, Mr. Dwyer. I did not ask you any such question.

Dwyer offered to repeat the question to prove his point. Bodwell said he would not stand for it, but must have an answer. Wheeler instructed the witness to go ahead regardless.

"I will interrupt you every time you attempt to go on, Mr. Dwyer," snapped Bodwell.

"Then you will make very little progress in the examination," put in the defendant's counsel, with an irritating calm.

"Then we'll stay here till the snow flies in San Francisco. I know of no rule of law that makes a witness the judge of the responsiveness of his answers."

Wheeler retorted that any rule which made the opposing counsel a judge of the witness was equally lacking from the scheme of things.

"Well, I'll stand upon the record," Bodwell came back.

"So will I," said Wheeler, with dignity.

Commissioner Courtenay Bennett expostulated with the learned gentlemen against their conduct. "I think we might rely upon the counsel to avoid such incidents," said he. And then Attorney Wheeler made his historical remark which led to the enrichment of the stenographer's notes with a description of the pleasant facial expressions of the contestants, and the incident closed.

Another interesting thing in the proceedings was Dwyer's expert testimony upon the ways of attorneys. Being asked if it was not proper for a court to infer that a lawyer knew the law and acted accordingly, he answered in the negative.

"Why is it not proper, in absence of evidence to the contrary?" the cross-questioner exclaimed.

"It might be proper to infer that he knew the law, but not that the law was complied with. It would depend upon circumstances. I don't think we'll get any further than that."

The hearing was continued and the end seems to recede as the days come and go.

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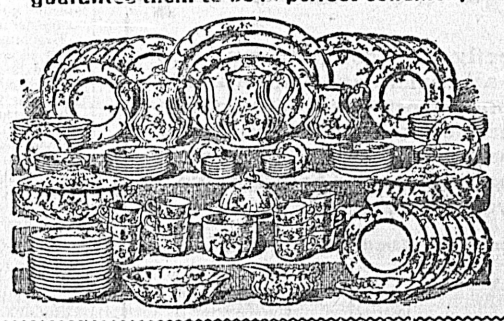

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Is England Able to Defend Colonies

By Count Ernest Reventlaw.

It is a well known fact that for some time English statesmen have been greatly worried by the problem of how to defend the various parts of the mighty empire in case of war.

It is a problem of most vital interest and has been widely discussed in all its phases.

The results reached are anything but encouraging to the English people to whom it is clear that should an enemy succeed in defeating the British navy the British Isles themselves would be at his mercy and it would be of secondary importance whether the British army could withstand an invading army or not.

The moment that England's navy ceases to "rule the waves" her population will be cut off from all imports without which they cannot exist, as the territories controlled by England increase in number the points where an annihilating blow may be directed is also increased.

England must at all times rely upon her navy for her defence. She might keep on building more ships than any other nation, a feat which becomes more difficult every year, when all European powers, and especially the immensely wealthy United States, keep on adding to their respective navies.

As Lord Selborn once said: "The sea is all one and the fleet must be all one." This means that to protect her commerce and the various parts of her world empire the fleet of Great Britain must be superior to that of any other nation at any point of the globe; it must form a continuous chain all around the world with links of unmatched strength, for one broken link would mean that the whole chain would be of no value.

To build a navy as powerful as this it is evident that the colonies must bear their share of the burden, which they have heretofore never done. It therefore has become necessary to find a way to arouse in the colonies an interest in the development of the navy which they have never had, and the prospects of creating this interest are rather slim, when it will be remembered that both Australia and Canada have repeatedly refused to contribute money to the naval budget.

The first step has been made by the prime minister, Mr. Balfour, by the creation of a commission of national defence, and there is no doubt that it is a step in the right direction.

The commission, in which all the colonies are represented, will take up all questions of interest to the empire as a whole, and upon the results of its work rest the fate of the great British empire, which is doomed to destruction unless the colonies come to the assistance of the Mother Country.

Even now there is reason to believe that some of the colonies, especially Australia, may change their policy, as the success of Japan in her war with Russia have caused them considerable anxiety, and there is reason to fear that the little brown men may want to seize some of the islands near Australia, which at present are absolutely defenceless.

The government of Australia is beginning to realize that it is not enough for her to strengthen her army, but that she must have a navy, and that she will accomplish the best results by cooperating with England and bear her share of the expense of strengthening the floating defences.

If the other colonies in time reach the same conclusion the future of the British empire as a unit is assured.

If not, England will a few years from now be absolutely powerless to protect her colonies.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., January, 1905.

(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
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The time used is Pacific standard for the 120th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Peter Curran Dunlevy, Deceased.

Pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of the late Peter Curran Dunlevy, of Soda Creek, B. C., who died at Soda Creek aforesaid on the 15th day of October, 1904, (probate of whose last will and testament was granted at Victoria, B. C., to Jane Elizabeth Dunlevy of Soda Creek aforesaid, the executrix therein named on the 16th day of December, 1904), are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims to the undersigned, the solicitors for the said executrix, on or before the 31st day of January, 1905, after which date the said executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which the said executrix has then had notice, and she will not be liable for the assets of any part thereof so distributed to any person or whose claim the said executrix has not had notice at the time of distribution.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 23rd day of December, 1904.

POOLEY, LUXTON & POOLEY,
Of 21 Bastion Street, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the said Executrix, Jane Elizabeth Dunlevy.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting for a transfer of the license to retail wines, spirituous and fermented liquors, by retail, on the premises at 85 Government Street, Victoria, B. C., and known as the "Horse Shoe Saloon," to William Frederick Hall.

W. A. MILLINGTON,
F. L. WOLFENDEN.
Witness: C. K. Courtney. ja26

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

IN THE MATTER of an Application for duplicate Certificate of Title to all the Estate of John Bennetts in Subdivision 4, Lot 6, Block "B", Finlayson Estate, Victoria City.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to above Lot, issued to Elizabeth Sarah Bennetts on the 20th day of March, 1896, and numbered 1673c.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C. this 16th day of November, 1904.

NOTICE.

I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of the license held by me to sell by retail Wines and Spirituous Liquors on the premises known as the Commercial Saloon, situated on the corner of Douglas and Cormorant streets, in the city of Victoria, B. C., to James Stuckey.

ALFRED WOOD.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ARTHUR KEAST, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the Estate of the late Arthur Keast, of Victoria, B. C., who died at Victoria aforesaid on the 24th day of August, 1904 (Administration of whose Estate was granted at Victoria, B. C., to Hubert Keast, of Duncans, B. C., by Letters of Administration, dated the 26th day of October, 1904), are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims to the undersigned, the Solicitors for the said Administrator, on or before the 20th day of February, 1905, after which date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which the said Administrator has then had notice, and he will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person or whose claim the said Administrator has not had notice at the time of distribution.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 17th day of January, 1905.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
Of 30 Langley Street, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the said Administrator, Hubert Keast. ja18

NOTICE.

Re Foreshore for Fishing Purposes.

NOTICE is hereby given that the time for receiving tenders for leases of foreshore for salmon fishing purposes is extended up to and including Wednesday, 1st February, 1905.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 22nd December, 1904. d25

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Private Bills Notice.

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving petitions for private Bills will expire on the 9th day of February, 1905.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 2nd day of March, 1905.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 9th day of March, 1905.

Dated this 31st day of December, 1904.

THORNTON FELL,
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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 31st day of December, 1904.

CASSIDY, DUMBLETON & SOLOMON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the southern boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY.
Land Commissioner.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP

WANTED—Ward maid. Apply to Matron, Jubilee Hospital. ja20

WANTED—Girl for light housework; two children. 216 Pandora avenue. ja29

WANTED—Good girl for general housework, in small family. Inquire No. 287 Yates street. ja13

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

ADVERTISEMENTS under this heading will be inserted at a special rate of one-half cent per word, with six insertions for the price of four.

LADY OF CULTURE desires position as housekeeper for refined gentleman. Box 159 Colonist office. ja29

WANTED—Experienced young lady desires position as governess; good references. Box 147 Colonist office. ja25

WANTED—Light housework by girl of 19. Box 151 Colonist office. ja27

MATERNITY NURSE, certificated, London hospital, is open to take cases by week or fortnight, or would make daily visits by arrangement. Box 115 Colonist office. ja7

WANTED—MALE HELP.

WANTED—A young man to take charge of horse, cow and poultry, also to understand gardening. Apply Box 154 this office, inclosing testimonials. ja29

WANTED—Respectable young man to solicit orders. Apply 120 Fort street. ja29

WANTED—A bright, intelligent boy, age 16, would like employment in office or store, etc. Address Box 161 Colonist. ja29

WANTED—At once, agents to sell lots in the city of Julisco, Mexico. Land Department Pan-American R. R., 35 Yates street. ja28

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ADVERTISEMENTS under this heading will be inserted at a special rate of one-half cent per word, with six insertions for the price of four.

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LANDSCAPE GARDENER undertakes practical work by day. Terms. Apply Box 122 Colonist. ja10

WANTED—Young man, stenographer, with own typewriter, would like evening work of any kind. Box 125 Colonist. ja11

WANTED—ROOM AND BOARD.

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FOR SALE—Incubator and brooder, nearly new; also pen of Pekin ducks, from prize winning stock. Mrs. E. J. Hunt, Rockland avenue. ja29

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ARMY FINANCE

By Lord Monkswell.

The enormous increase in the army estimates, from £18,000,000 when the Liberals went out of office in 1895 to £20,000,000 for 1904-5, is not attracting more attention than it deserves. This increase is all the more unaccountable and exasperating to the taxpayer inasmuch as during the same period the cost of the navy has risen steadily from less than £20,000,000 to £42,000,000, including £5,000,000 for works, and seems likely to increase still further. This increase is, indeed, the natural result of the ascendency of the "blue-water" school, who maintain that the navy is our only safeguard against invasion; that the landing of an enemy on our shores would mean disaster to us or to him according as our fleet was or was not able to command the sea. This school assert with confidence that a large army of defence is useless, and consequently wasteful. For the country would never endure the expense of an army large enough to cope on equal terms with a great continental army in command of land and sea, and any lesser force could not avert ultimate conquest. The only landing practicable while our fleet was on the seas would consist of a moderate-sized detachment of raiders, who, being soon cut off from support, could be accounted for by a small and efficient army of defence.

The problem, then, that by general consent confronts the army reformer is to organize a military force sufficient to garrison the empire, to have a moderate-sized army always ready for any necessary enterprise abroad, and a small and efficient army for home defence.

If the taxpayer views with alarm and indignation the recent huge increase in the army estimates, when he begins to analyze the expenditure he is, indeed, confronted with an amazing state of things. He will find, as Lieutenant Carlyon Bellairs, R. N., has pointed out in the London Times of September 20, that very nearly £14,500,000 is paid in respect of immobile and sedentary defence, including regular troops in depots—that is to say, rather more than £9,250,000 for the defences of home ports and naval bases abroad; and £556,000 for submarine mine defences.

These defensive agencies, the Times observes, "cannot possibly come into play so long as the navy retains the effective command of the sea, and are, by the avowal of the apologists for this portentous expenditure, quite inadequate to save us when once the command of the sea is lost."

Without entirely endorsing this rhetorical comment, which would seem to suggest that an army of defence is mere waste, and should be done away with altogether, the expenditure to which exception is taken, while it provides the economist with a promising field for retrenchment, indicates that the military authorities have hitherto failed to grasp the new situation created by the supremacy of the "blue-water school."

In this failure there lurks a danger to the state. Under any circumstances, it would be difficult, and perhaps impossible, to induce the taxpayer to submit for any length of time to the payment of £29,000,000 a year for the upkeep of the army; that difficulty will be greatly increased if the navy estimates are to continue to rise. Naval and military experts might expatiate at large upon every penny of the expenditure they recommended being vital to the safety of the empire, and even so the public might remain dogged and unconvinced. But when we are told by men themselves in the service that a great deal of our expenditure on the army is sheer, stupid waste, it is perfectly clear that the cry for economy is irrestible.

During the war the country suffered from a hot fit. Then no effort in the direction of army reform would have been looked at that was not expensive and grandiose. The army corps scheme, which for the moment exalted Mr. Brodrick in the columns of the London Times to the position of a great statesman, was popular because it was costly and ambitious. Now, as all sensible people predicted, the hot fit has been succeeded by a chill. The danger, and a very real danger, now is that economy in the administration of the army may be carried too far. And if reasonable economies are not effected, unreasonable economies will be advocated and carried. Some economy the public will insist upon, and those military experts will be the truest friends of the army who devote their whole energies to devising the safest means of cutting down the estimates, rather than to the vain endeavor to justify impossible expenditure.

The army corps scheme has disappeared, and Mr. Brodrick with it. A new man has taken up the reins at the war office, and has propounded a new scheme, avowedly based on the conclusions of the "blue-water school." The net result of the scheme as regards economy is not sensational, even if every economy suggested by Mr. Arnold-Foster can be effected, and the scheme goes through in its entirety; but, as I think I shall be able to show, neither of these conditions is likely to be fulfilled.

In a parliamentary paper issued near the end of the session the financial results of the various changes suggested are set out. I use the word "suggested" because the vital change on which the whole of the new scheme hinges is put forward merely by way of suggestion, for the country to accept or reject as it pleases. This is quite in accordance with the new theory of ministerial irresponsibility lately propounded by Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain in fiscal matters.

On the present occasion I do not propose to discuss the new scheme on its merits except from the financial point of view. The net reduction in the regular establishment is about 28,000 men. The regulars will be divided into a home service army of seventy-one battalions 520 strong; a general service army of 104 battalions 809 strong; and ten battalions of guards numbering 9,079 officers and men of all ranks. The cavalry and artillery are to be slightly increased. The depots are to be decreased in number but made more efficient at an increased cost of £628,000. The net reduction thus effected, including alterations in the rates of pay, is £692,000; another £300,000 is to be saved on the volunteers; and a further reduction of £100,000 in aquatic and submarine services is promised, making a total reduction of £1,092,000. A further proposal is tentatively put forward to convert thirty-three militia battalions into home service battalions, effecting a further economy of £379,000. If this is done the total promised reduction is £1,471,000 the total promised reduction is £1,471,000.

This by no means magnificent reduction is, moreover, not to be effected at once. Thte statement, we are told, "shows only the difference in charge between the present and proposed systems when in full operation." But, as has been lately pointed out in the Standard, it is extremely doubtful even whether these economies will be released. The committee of defence have not yet given their decision as to the policy of taking away eleven battalions from the garrison in South Africa, Egypt, and the naval stations, and reducing the average strength of the remaining battalions from 988 to 863. That the army council and the committee of defence are not always of one mind we may gather from the ingenuous statement in the House of Lords by Lord Donoughmore, the under secretary for war, who informed the House that the committee of defence had vetoed the proposal of the war office council to abolish the militia.

Indeed, the first thing that strikes one about the government scheme is that it is framed in the alternative—it is not one scheme, but two schemes. This strongest government of modern times is content to leave the reins in the hands of the man in the street. The militia is, or is not, to be reduced by thirty-three battalions, according as the people and not the secretary of state for war and the cabinet may decide. The secretary of state for war obligingly tells the electorate that they are to pay the money and take their choice. And what makes this concession still more remarkable is that the war minister acknowledges, in the frankest terms, that he is not only in favor of cutting down the militia by thirty-three battalions, but of abolishing it altogether. He quotes with approval the opinion of high military authorities, who assert with confidence that the militia is almost useless either for purposes of offence or defence. He dwells with emphasis on the absolute necessity of reducing the army estimates, and pointedly directs attention to the great expense—nearly £2,000,000 a year—of keeping up this almost useless force; and yet the conclusion he arrives at is that he will leave the question absolutely open.

To conduct business in this way is not to govern, but to abdicate all the functions of government.

The government make one proposal and two suggestions. The proposal is to reduce the expenditure on the army by 3½ per cent on the estimate of last year, this somewhat microscopic reduction not to be effected at once, but at some future date not specified; and even this reduction depends upon the view that may be taken by the committee of defence as to the retrenchmnts advocated in manning our colonial and naval stations. The secretary of state for war suggests, but dares not let it be considered a necessary part of his scheme, that a further economy of 1 per cent should be effected by absorbing thirty-three militia battalions into the regular army; and further expresses a strong opinion, which he announces he is too modest to endeavor to force upon the public, that the militia, being almost useless either for purposes of offence or defence, should be abolished altogether.

In the opinion, however, of such high authorities as Lord Haliburton and Sir Ralph Knox, the new scheme will result in no economy at all, but on the contrary in increased expenditure. Sir Ralph Knox points out (London Times, September 24) that more than the whole saving on the new scheme arises from a proposed reduction of the garrisons abroad, a reduction not yet sanctioned by the committee of defence. He further maintains that the depots will cost far more than their estimated figures, and he adds that the "cost of recruits at depots is set down at £782,000. It may be confidently asserted that under this head alone the calculation of cost is understood by £750,000." Lord Haliburton writes (London Times, October 13): "Mr. Arnold-Forster's financial statement omitted the capital expenditure for thirteen large depots, and for the barracks that will be required for his territorial regiments. This will represent many millions. It seems quite certain that there will be a very large increased expenditure, as well as a reduction of fighting strength, under Mr. Arnold-Forster's scheme."

When two ex-permanent under secretaries of state of such ability and experience as Lord Haliburton and Sir R. Knox express so confident an opinion that the alleged economies are visionary, and will result in a large increase of expenditure, the public may well pause before they accept the figures of a secretary of state of very limited experience, who acknowledges that he is a mere "tyro," and does not insist on the acceptance of his views on the militia.

It remains to be stated that every penny of the minute reduction proposed is dependent upon the assumption that the rate of pay offered will suffice to fill the ranks under the new scheme. It is true that while the rate of pay of the short service home defence army is to be the old shilling a day, with a messing allowance of 3 pence on leaving the depot, the pay of the general service army is to be increased by 4 pence a day, rising to 6 pence for a first or second class shot; but as a set-off against this concession the term of service with the colors is to be nine years instead of seven, and this service will be almost entirely abroad. The home defence army, being enlisted for two years only, may probably obtain sufficient recruits; but is it certain, or even probable, that an extra 4 pence or 6 pence a day will fill the ranks of the general service army? I am afraid, in the light of recent experience, it is, on the contrary, perfectly safe to prophesy a large deficiency. The confident predictions of the military authorities as to the number of three years' service men who would extend have been disastrously falsified, and men have lately been sent outo to India with less than a year to serve. These men must be brought back, or given their own terms to extend. That is an expense not provided for in the memorandum. And on the far larger question of future enlistment, while the secretary of state gives no reason for assuming that his present calculations are likely to rehabilitate his reputation as a prophet, it is held by many who have studied the question that all the indications favor the view that except in periods of great distress, where recruiting is brisk but the quality of the recruit bad, it will be impossible to obtain anything approaching to the number of men required.

remedy for the recruiting difficulty is to render the service more attractive by making it the duty of the military authorities not only to make men into efficient soldiers, but also to train them while with the colors, as far ras military exigencies will permit, to perform the duties of civil life. To some extent I am glad to think this is being done. The old barrack square drill form of torture, which stiffened the muscles and discouraged the working of the brain, is now giving place to a more national kind of military training. But much remains to be done before the discharged soldier, who is notoriously without resource, initiative or skill in any handicraft, will be known, as the sailor is known, as the handy man.

There is another remedy favored by the service—that of conscription. Sir Neville Lyttelton, the first military member of the army council, has been bold enough to state in public the views held by many—I am afraid most—of his brother officers. The service is not in the least concerned at the probable failure of voluntary enlistment. They would regard it as a blessing, for in their opinion it would force conscription upon the public. Here they make a mistake. Conscription for home service is not required, and for foreign service it will not be tolerated; so thre sooner they give up crying for the moon the better. This paper, however, deals only with army finance, and from that standpoint it is important to note that whether or not it is possible, by the offer of more money, to get the men required to put the new army scheme into operation, it is, humanly speaking, certain that we shall not get the men for the money offered, and that, if the scheme is not abandoned or greatly modified, there will be no reduction, but, on the contrary, an increase in our military expenditure. I believe the necessary increase in pay alone will suffice to swallow up more than the whole estimated saving; and, in addition, there is the doubt as to whether every penny of that saving will not be wiped out by the committee of defence, and the strong probability that Lord Haliburton and Sir Ralph Knox are right in maintaining that the expenses of the working of the new scheme, even if the garrisons are reduced and the recruits forthcoming, is greatly underestimated.

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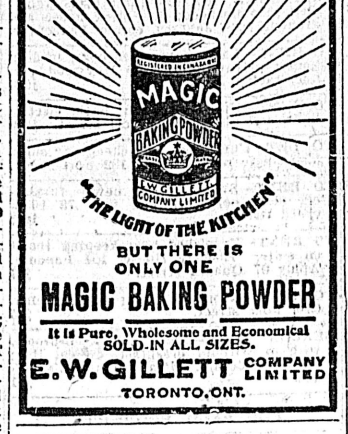

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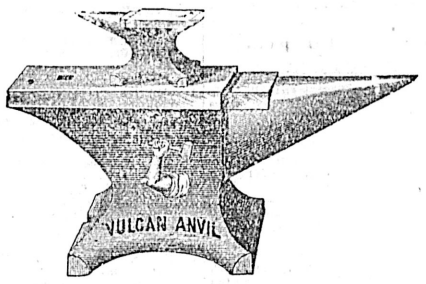

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